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# Support Proposal For Expulsion Of

GENEVA, DEC. 11 (REUTER) — THE EXTRAORDIN-ARY INTEREST MANIFESTED IN TODAY'S MEETING OF THE LEAGUE ASSEMBLY WAS EVIDENT FROM THE LARGE NUMBER OF JOURNALISTS ATTENDING ES-PECIALLY GERMANS AND ITALIANS.

FIFTEEN GERMAN CORRESPONDENTS ARE HERE NOTWITHSTANDING THE FACT THAT THE GERMAN PRESS IS ONLY PERMITTED TO CARRY THE GERMAN OFFICIAL VERSION OF THE LEAGUE ACTIVITIES.

A Reuter message from Chungking says that a Chinese dispatch from Geneva reveals that Dr. Wellington Koo, head of the Chinese delegation to the League Assembly, is maintaining the closest contact with the Soviet, British and French representatives "probably to inform them of the attitude China is going to take at the meeting and also to exchange views with them regarding the election of

members to the League Council." The dispatch forecasts that Britain will be "in favour of until the afternoon. naming Russia as the aggressor and giving material assistance to Finland but is unlikely to support the proposal mours of new German peace feel- dom commissioner in South Africa

League. PRESIDENT ELECTED

LONDON, Dec. 11 (BWS)-At the League of Nations Assembly at Geneva this morning it was here to the terms put forward in Britain to receive this welcome these reports. announced that the Nomination Committee had elected M. Karl as to the terms on which the Al-Hambro, Norway, as President. Vice-Presidents elected were the lied Governments would be prerepresentatives of Britain, Bel- pared to consider peace proposals. gium, Canada, Egypt, France, On behalf of the British Govern-Greece, Portugal and Switzerland, ment, the war aims were clearly These will form a committee to stated in the Foreign Secretary's consider, in the first place, the speech in the House of Lords on appeal of Finland for which the December 5. present Assembly was convoked.

APPEAL OF MEMBER GENEVA, Dec. 11 (Reuter)-M. adopting the words of M. Dala-Hambro (Norway), who was elect- dier, said Britain would be willing ed President of the Assembly, said to stop the war when she could berties. We desire to redeem th threatened by another and was when wrongs done to smaller na- We desire to safeguard our own defending with impressive heroism tions could be righted, and se- freedom and security. its rights to liberty and even curity was established.

the League are not disappointed, pendence should recover their li- ance."

## To The Editor, Hongkong

Sir,-With reference to an not to attempt to escape.

A. B. THOMSON Brigadier, A. A. and Q. M. G. 1/c Administration, China Command.

## GENEROUS CHRISTMAS DONATION

LONDON, Dec. 11 (BWS)-Mr. Eden, the Dominions Secretary acknowledging on behalf of the Government, the generous Christmas gift of £100.000 which had LONDON, Dec. 11 (BWS)-Press been handed at a ceremony reports from Geneva refer to ru- Johannesburg to the United Kingof Russia's expulsion from the ers. through neutral countries. by the Chairman of the National Peace offensives, of which this Committee of the South African may well be an example, are a re- Mayor's Fund to raise £1,000,000 cognised feature of Nazi technique for war object, said, "It is a real and no serious attention is paid encouragement to the people o mark of friendship nof Union of There is, in fact, no ambiguity South Africa."

APPLES FOR TROOPS

The Nova Scotian Government has promised £1 for every £ subscribed by the public towards the gift of a consignment of apples as a Christmas present to the British troops and a load of 1,000 barrels, each containing 130 lbs. of apples, has just arrived in Eng-

that they had met to hear an ap- treat with a German Government peoples of Europe from this conpeal of a member State which was whose signature could be trusted. stant fear of German aggression.

"We do not seek aggrandise Proceeding. Lord Halifax said, ment nor to redraw the map is The Assembly must see that its "We desire that the people that our own interests. Still less are expectations from the solidarity of have been deprived of their inde-, we moved by the spirit of venge-

article in the Sunday Herald. of Dec. 10"concerning the ad-" ventures of a German Internee. Karl Joachim, who" escaped from Hongkong, I would state that this man was not in a Military Hospital, but was taken to the Kowloon Civil Hospital after he had given his parole or word of honour

## FAMOUS GOLFER MARRIED

LONDON, Dec. 11 (Reuter)-T. Henry Cotton, the famous professional golfer was married to Mrs. Maria Isabel Moss, a wealthy Argentian, who he met while on a golfing tour.

Cotton was British Open Golf Champion in 1934 and 1937. He is 31 years of age.

## GENERALISSIMO AND DR. KUNG IN NEW POSTS

CHUNGKING, Dec. 11 (Reuter) -GENERALISSIMO CHIANG KAI-SHER and DR. H. H. KUNG were formally inducted into their concurrent posts as President and Vice-President, respectively, of the Executive Yuan. It is recalled that, following the

conclusion of the Sixth Plenary Session of the Central Executive Committee of the Kuomintang, it was officially announced Generalissimo Chiang had been appointed President of the Executive Yuan replacing Dr. Kung "for the purpose of unifying the country's political, party and military administration under the Generalissimo" and also, at the same time, to enable Dr. Kung to devote more time and attention to the country's financial affairs.

Dr. "Hung was appointed Vice-President of the Executive Yuan replacing Gen. Chang Chun who resigned.

Mr. Wu Tze-hul, elder statesman and veteran Kuomintang leader, administered the cath in this morning's ceremony.

#### BIG GATHERING

Central News reports that Mr. Lin Sen. Chairman of the National Government, headed more than 200 high officials of the Government to witness Generalissimo counsel. Chiang taking his oath of office. The seal of the Executive Yuan

was handed over to the new President by Mr. Wu, who represented the Central Party Headquarters and delivered a speech of admonition. Generalissimo Chiang then replied in appropriate

This was the third time the death of the Pontiff. Generalissimo assumed the Presidency of the Executive Yuan. Members of the Yuan gave a dinner party today to honour his

Preparations have been completed by various public organisations in Chungking to welcome the Burma Chinese Mission which is expected to arrive in Chungking today. On December 13, a dinner party will be held in honour of the members of the Mission. Dr. Chu Chia-hua, director of the Organisation Board of the Central Party Headquarters, will be in the chair.

## and still eludes our warships. "RAWALPINDI"

#### Readers of the "Hongkong Daily Press" interested in learning the names of the casualties in the sinking of the H.M.S. Rawalpindi may see the full list, just received from England by air, in our Town Office, 318-9 Marina House.

CASUALTIES

## THETIS INQUIRY RESUMES

LONDON, Dec. 11 (Reuter)—The inquiry into the loss of the submarine H.M.S. Thetis was resumed

Bay five months ago and on October salvage workers saw the Thetis for the first time when she broke the surface in Moelfre Bay, Anglesea. She had since been beached.

Mr. Justice "Bucknill is presiding, through the Japanese sentinel line The captain, who was on the the Attorney-General, Sir Donald on the south-western part of bridge, was blown clear of the Somervell, K.C., stated that the Hangchow and attacked Lingying, vessel and swam for two hours door of the escape chamber was Sungmuchang and the Chingpo before he was rescued by a trawler found to be open which permitted and Wuling gates. More than 80 which picked up the other two water to enter the vessel when she Japanese carracks at various survivors, who are now receiving Mr. Justice Bucknill is assisted by

three assessors namely, Capt. G. C. P. Menzies, R.N., a submarine specialist, Capt. A. D. Ryley, one of the Elder Brethren, and Professor T. B. Abell, Professor of Naval Architecture in the University of Liverpool.

Counsel engaged include Mr. A. T. Miller, K.C., and Mr. H. I. Nelson for Cammell Laird's, builders of the submarine, Mr. A. M. Lyons, K.C., and Mr. Geoffrey Hutchinson, K.C., M.P., besides six other

#### CARDINAL LAURI

VATICAN CITY, Dec. 11 (Reuter) -At a secret Consistory held by the Pope, Cardinal Lauri was appointed Cardinal Camerlengo take over the administration affairs of the Holy See in the event of the

## -On Other-Pages

Rifle shooting Radio programmes ...... 3 Coming events Crossword puzzle ...... 4 Leading articles ............ 8 Supreme Court ...... 8 Finance/commerce ...... 9

## Chinese Counter - Attack In South Shensi

FOOCHOW, Dec. 11 (Central)—The Japanese attempt on South Fukien, with the assistance of bogus troops, has been completely frustrated and what was heralded as another ambitious scheme turned out to be a flasco, according to a high military officer at the front, in a telephonic interview.

With the recapture Chaoan, important border town, on Dec. 7, South Fukien has now been completely cleared of Japanese and bogus forces. Fenshuikwan, the Kwangtung-Fukien pass, returned to Chinese hands on Dec. 8. "

In addition to large numbers of Japanese forces slain. Chinese succeeded in capturing more than 100 men of the combined Japanese and puppet units. A lot of rifles were seized

HIGH TRIBUTE The military officer paid tribute to the able support of the and Self-Preservation Militia Corps in South Fukien and East work in harassing Japanese hu, and other points.

A company of bogus troops, numbering 100 men, returned to the Chinese fold at Tajen with their arms. The Japanese appointed field commander of the bogue force. Lin Wen-yuan, was captured alive and escorted to the rear. Lin has long been proscribed by the authorities.

AIR RAID KWEILIN, Dec. 11 (Central)—Six Japanese aircraft staged another raid over Chuanchow, in north, Kwangsi near the Hunan border, yesterday. Many bombs were re-

CHINESE ACTIVITY KINHWA, Dec. 11 (Central)-Increasing Chinese activities on Kungshengkiao, Liuhsia, Lingping, north-east coast. Shangpo and other points were at- Four of the crew were killed tacked by Chinese units.

At today's hearing, over which of Dec. 7. Chinese guerillas broke rescued. Continued on Page 7

## CHINESE READY FOR COUNTER-OFFENSIVE

KWEILIN, Dec. 11 (Central)-All preparations have been completed by the Chinese forces on the Kwangsi front to start counter-offensives against the Japanese invaders, according to General Cheng Sze-yuen, Director of the Political Department of the "Kwangsi" Pacification . Headquarters at Kweilin, who has just returned from a tour of the war zone.

Fighting, among the difficult hilly regions on the Nanning-Kwangtung, especially their good Pinyang and Nanning-Wuming lines, according to General Cheng. treat at Jaoping, Wongkong, Tung- is increasing in ferocity, and the initiative has now been taken

from the Japanese by the Chinese. . Chinese operations, so far were confined to flanking movements, which already have scored heavily against the invaders. On the other hand, the Japanese are endeavouring to strengthen their hold on Nanning, and are feverishly crecting defence works outside the city.

## CLEAR OF BRITISH DRIFTER

LONDON, Dec. 11 (Reuter)-The the suburbs of Hangchow were re- Admiralty "announced that the The submarine sank in Liverpool ported during the week-end, when British drifter Ray of Hope was Japanese barracks and outposts at sunk by a mine yesterday off the

> when the ship was blown up. Five In a daring raid on the night are missing while three have been

treatment in a hospital.

## Chungking Active: Tokyo Dull: U.S. Journalist Tells Of Experiences

Life in Chungking is active. Conditions in Tokyo are dull by comparison. The spirit of the people in and out of the National Government is one of anticipation of success, and unity of purpose. Against this situation in Chungking, the Abe Cabinet in Tokyo is foundering around. struggling with what appears insurmountable difficulties. pessimism prevails and the so-called unity is of a forced nature.

for the Hearst newspaper organi- revelation. sation, who arrived in "Hongkong "One is impressed by the trethe International News Bervice.

full month as the "material avail- gether, strikes the observer. able was far more interesting than had been expected."

A REVELATION "To anyone who has been close to the Japanese scene—and there

These comments were made to are many so close to it they fail to the Central News Agency by Mr. see the other side of the present James R. Young, a correspondent picture a visit to Chungking is a

after one month in Chungking mendous activity everywhere. The gathering material for newspaper leaders, many of them former articles, radio stations, magazines business men, have done a diffiand photographic departments of cult but creditable job in organisnewspapers served by his company, ing new departments for trade and industrial development. The The correspondent spent 11 young people's participation is an years in Japan as Hear corres- object lesson. The unquestionable pondent and went to Chungking unity and determination of everyearly in November. His planned one, many probably former politistay of one week extended to a cal enemies but now working to-

"Tokyo has none of the pioneer spirit. The over abundance of formality and frock coats kills initiative. The mud-Continued on Page 6

## "WONDERFUL TOKEN OF SUPPORT SOCIETY IS ACCORDED BY PUBLIC:" ANNUAL MEETING OF H.K.S.P.C.

DALADIER'S WORDS

On that occasion Lord Halifax,

## Four British Ships Lost

LONDON, Dec. 11 (Reuter)-It 18 officially announced that four Bri-. tish ships totalling over 22,000 tons are long overdue and must considered as lost:

They are the Ashlea (4.222). Newton Beech (4,651), Huntsman (8,196) and Trevanion.

The British steamer Willowpool. 4,815 tons, has been mined. The crew of 36 were landed on the east

#### coast. TANKER TORPEDOED

south-west of Land's End on Satur- McKellar (Hon. Treasurer). day night.

and her crew is still on board.

## Long Overdue: Governor On Experiment Of Children's Clubs

"The year has ended with a small debit balance of \$766, a figure, the smallness of which I regard as amazing and a most wonderful token of the support which the Society is accorded by the public," remarked the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, when he proposed the adoption of the report and statement of accounts at the annual meeting of the Hongkong Society for the protection of Children held at the Helena May Institute yesterday after-

His Excellency the Governor, Sir Geoffry Northcote. and Lady Northcote attended the chair being taken by the Hon, Sir Robert Kotewall, President of the Society. Pre- to myself the most congenial duty sent on the dais also were the of all—that of thanking the bene-LONDON, Dec. 11 (Reuter)-A Hon. Sir Henry Pollock, the factors of the Society. First and Belgian tanker is reported to be Hon. Mr. W. N. Thomas Tam, foremost among these are His Exstanding by a British tanker which Mrs. D. J. S. Crozier (Hon. cellency the Governor and Lady was torpedoed about 200 miles General Secretary) and Mr. A.

The tanker was badly damaged, Excellency the Governor remarked time to attend all our annual meetbreaking nearly in two, but she has on the new experiment of children's tings, and to give us every enremained affoat for twenty hours clubs and said that he hoped to couragement and help. visit one of the Society's clubs soon.

#### MOST CONGENIAL DUTY OF ALL In opening the meeting Sir Robert Kotewall said:-

In today's agenda I have allotted return. Northcote who, is spite of the strain. and stress of pressing and exacting In the course of his speech, His occupations, have contrived to find

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## WEATHER FAVOURS SATURDAY SHOOT STONECUTTERS'

Forty-eight members were present at the H.K.R.A.'s shoot on this range on Saturday. Ideal conditions prevailed, there being no wind to contend with, and a very good light up to 600 yards.

8gts. Heap and Breese, both of the R.N. Range Staff, tied in the aperture sights, with a score of 98, Sgt. Heap taking the Nett Spoon with" a score of 33 at 600 yards, Sgt. Breese only making 32 at this range.

Mr. Guard, of the D.R.C., was a close runner up, with a score of 97; winning the Handicap Spoon and he also won a Possible Button at 500 yards.

Mr. Gillman of the D.R.C. again won the open sight class with a score of 88, securing the Nett Spoon. Pte. R.A. Castro, H.K.V.D.C. won the Handleap Spoon.

#### THE LEADING SCORES

The leading scores were as follows:-

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	Capt. F. P. Sequeira			29	32	2	28	89
	L/Cpl. J. E. Hawkins		NII	28	32	3	. 0	88
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	Supt. W. P. Thompson	*****	2	28	29	3	0	87
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Winners of spoons have handicaps reduced by one point.

#### ADVERTISEMENT

#### THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

THE THIRTEENTH EXTRA RACE MEETING will be held (weather permitting) at HAPPY VALLEY on SATURDAY, 16th December, 1939, commencing at 2.00 p.m.

The first Bell will be rung at 3 1.30 p.m.

MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE No One without a badge will Guri ...... 16.40.49" be admitted to the Members' Enclosure. Such must be worn Meeting in such a manner as to Sporting

be readily identified.

Badges admitting Non-Members to the Members' Enclosure Rooms at \$5.00 Gentlemen and \$3.00 for Ladies (Both including tax) obtainable through Member, such Member to be responsible for all visitors introduced by him, and for Payment of All Chits, etc.

The Secretary's Office, 1st floor, Exchange Building (Tel. 27794) will close at 12 o'clock Noon.

Tiffins are obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No i Boy (Telephone 21926).

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE

The price of Admission to the Public Enclosure is \$1.00 including Tax, for all Persons, including Ladies, and is payable at the Gate. Soldiers and Sailors in Uniform are admitted Half Price.

> By Order, C. B. BROWN,

> > Secretary,

Hong Kong, 11th Dec., 1939.

RESULTS La Linda (Mrs. M. I. Johnstone) won the Sweepstake Race of the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club, sailed

SWEEPSTAKE RACE

yesterday.		
Detailed results foll	low:—	
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(Miss H. Crawhall-W	Vilson).	
Jean ,	16.35.37	4

(Capt. M. A. Neve). (Miss L. A. Heiberg).

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(Mrs. V. Gowlland).

TODAY

RACING.-Entries close for Fan- each. ling Hunt and Race Club Christmas Meeting.

(Sookunpoo) 2.45 p.m.; Middle-|Cup:sex v. 8th Heavy Regt. R. A. (Sookunpoo) 4 p.m.

Championship, First Round, Miss Dodwell & Co., bye. M. Griffiths v. E. Litton.

TOMORROW

BADMINTON,-Y.M.C.A Badminton, in the West Lounge. HOCKEY. -- 1st XI v. Club de Recreio ist XI, at Hongkong Hockey Club Ground, 5 p.m. LAWN BOWLS.—Taikoo Club Lawn

POLO.-Kildare Cup Tournament, January 1, 1940. 3.30 p.m.

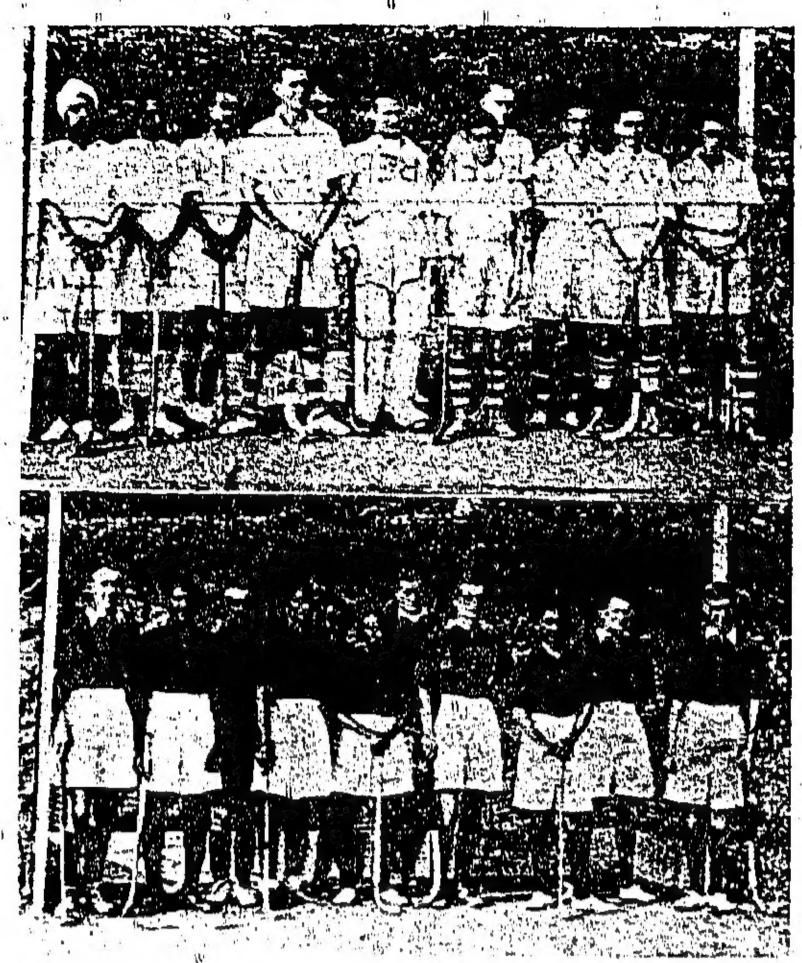
Bowls, 3.15 p.m.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 14

MEETING. - Annual, of Royal Hongkong Golf Club, at Jardine, Matheson & Co.'s Office, 5.15 p.m.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 15 BADMINTON .- Y.M.C.A. Badminton, in the West Lounge, 6 p.m. SATURDAY, DECEMBER 16"

RACING.—Hongkong Jockey Club's Hockey Club "A" XI by three clear and their solitary try, in response should not have long to wait, even 13th Extra Racing, at Happy goals. Lt. Gibson, Lang, and Hitch- to Llanelly's goal and a try, came in a war that is as exclusive as Valley, 2 p.m.



Above are the "two teams that met in the charity hockey match at King's Park on Saturday. The game was drawn 2-ull. Upper picture:-Civilians (Left to right): Gurbachan Singh, Pyara Singh, W. Brown, S. A. Fowler, V. M. Benwell, W. A. Reed, V. C. Bond, J. Gonsalves, N. B. M. Whitley and J. A. Soares,

Below:-Combined Services (Left to right): E. R. A. Gemmell, Shah Wali, Sgt. Crowley, Datta Ram, Nerain Singh, Partab Singh, Lt. Baines, Lt.-Cdr. J. A. Corrie-Hill, Lt. Pritam Nath, Lt. A. C. G. Mars and Lt. G. W. Hook.

## LADIES COLONY TENNIS

The following matches in the Singles, of the Colony Ladies Tennis Championships, have been arranged for this week:

Today-Miss M. Griffiths v. Mrs. E. Litton. Dec. 14 - Miss J. Reeve v. Mrs. F.C. Tracey; Mrs. Marriott v. Mrs.

N.W. Smeby. LADIES DOUBLES The following have entered the

Mrs. Greig and Miss Marr v. Mrs. Sweeney and Mrs. Knight; Mrs. Griffiths and Mrs. Chiu.

second round, this pair having for the Hospital. beaten Miss Harker and Miss Stokes 6-4, 6-2.

## H.K. GOLF CLUB ADAMSON CUP

The following is the result of the December Qualifying Round of the Adamson Cup, played at Happy Valley:

V. Ebbage 85-18-67 qualifies. BOGEY PAR POOL

The Bogey Par Pool, played on the Old Course at Fanling on Dec. 9 and 10 resulted in F. Groves (2) BADMINTON.—Y.M.C.A. Badmin- and P. C. Jackson (16) tiring and backs much of the ball. ton, in the West Lounge, 6 p.m. dividing with a score of 2 down

There were 25 entries. G.M. YOUNG CUP

beat C.M. Customs; H.K. & Shang-TENNIS.—Colony Women's Singles hai Bank beat Chartered Bank;

#### H.K. GOLF CLUB LADIES' SECTION

All L.G.U. Competitions and handicaps are in abeyance until the end of the war.

Club Temporary handicaps will without reply. he put up on the notice board on A Club medal round for Silver

ECLECTIC COMPETITION

and March

cock netted for the Royal Scots.

## RUGBY PLAYERS TAKEN

dents occurred recently during Rosslyn Park's match with "St, winning goal ensued, but the de- lost three "fights" in one night. Watts, of Bristol. Mary's Hospital's Rugby team at fences prevailed. the Old Deer Park

Before half-time A. C. Lusty, of the Park, and F. M. McRae, the St. Second round, the draw for which shoulder.

Then C. M. Squire, another St. pass. Mrs. Kevan will be played today in rare form, ran out winners by them ahead. and the winners will meet Mrs. 19 points to 3. M. M. Walker gave The City were finishing better.

A heavy ground and a greasy a fourth goal. ball were all in favour of the Harlequin forwards at Honor Oak Sheffield Wed. 1 Notts County 1 as he was told. Park, where Guy's Hospital met with their first defeat by 13 points

#### CAPITAL FORM

where the internationals R. E. Pre- a spectacular save from Nicholas. colt and T. F. Huskisson, as well but, generally, they had most of as M. B. Crickmay, of Blackheath, the play. Massarella was prowere in capital form. For the first minent on the left wing, and the time this season H. F. Osmond, Notts' goal had several escapes. Louis Babrow and the other Guy's for Wednesday after 17 minutes of

Both Varsities led off with Wednesday deserved their draw. victories. Oxford, despite a late rally by the Gloucester pack, win-ning by 21—9, while Cambridge BACK TO BIGGER SECRETARY upon the pers RUGBY.—Army League, Royal En- The following are the results of proved just too good for an Army gineers v. 5th A. A. Regt. R. A. the First Round of the G.M. Young XV., whom they beat by 9-3. S. D. Pearce, an Uppingham Fresh-A.P.C. bye; Butterfield & Swire man and a strong running wing, and converted three.

> Then St. Thomas's rather raded Livingstone. away and the Shamleeks, who had! He had just begun his shooting Ireland centre, ran up 30 points when he got news of the war. But

#### ARMY XV OUTLASTED

Bristol also outlasted an Army correspondent. SHOCTING.—Hongkong Rifle As and Bronze Divisions will be play- XV., are-arrangement of their back He hurried back to England, but sociation's Weekly Spoon and ed on the first Tuesday in every division in the second half making having flown out to Northern

> the New Course, during. January also enabled them to defeat Cross broadest sense of the term. Keys by 13 points to 3, W. H. He arrived back in England re-Travers, Wales's fine hooker, being cently burning with martial a friendly hockey match play- among the try-getters, but Swansea ardour. As he has a pilot's licence ed at King's Park yesterday, the lound Lianelly's greater speed and talks Russian, besides being a Royal Scots 2nd XI beat Hongkong ulways a little too much for them, first-class big-game shot, he nearing the end.

picture goal, added a second.

REDUCED ARREARS half-time.

Five minutes after the restart Swansea equalised through Haines, following clever scheming by Squires. Cardiff fought back, but erratic shooting by Court and Collins rabbed them of several good opportunities.

thrustful and generally dominatgoalkeeper, twice saved magni-An extraordinary series of acci- ficently from Collins and Court. A desperate struggle for the is, perhaps, the only fighter who

Mary's centre, had been taken to After 34 minutes Catterick scored official of the British Boxing Board hospital, Lusty with 2 damaged for Stockport. Stoke "raided Control, who ordered him ankle and McRae with a dislocated strongly before the interval, and change his white knickers into left flinging himself at the ball

The match Mrs. Whitham and nevertheless led at the interval, minutes later Howe with a great on." and eventually with their forwards drive equalised. Stoke City, how-Mrs. Marriott v. Mrs. Smeby and and the international T. A. Kemp ever, rallied again and Sale put "I won't wear them."

the a fine performance at full-back and Ormston, who had wandered still clad in his white pants, to the inside right position, added

Guy's were outweighted in front, The Wednesday goalkeeper made

the second half.

Mr. Martin Stephens, the wellscored two of Oxford's five tries known big-game shot and writer. who is managing director of Shamleeks found themselves so Rowland Ward, was caught by the firmly held by St. Thomas's war on a big-game shooting trip in Hospital that nothing had been Northern Rhodesia, at almost the scored when half-time arrived exact spot where Stanley met

the assistance of A. Bailey, the and bagged a near-record sassaby he assured me when I met him recently that he did not remark, "Herr Hitler, I presume," writes a Home

Practice Shoot, at Kowloon City, month, starting in January 1940. for much improvement. Thompson, Rhodesia in five days, it took him Bristol's full-back, earned the more than five weeks to get home, An Eclectic Competition, in aid unusual distinction of scoring a using every known means of of the British War Organization try himself, Bristol won by 11-0, transport, including a lorry which Fund will be held at Fanling on " A second-half rally by Newport had to be "borrowed" in the

## EGYPTIAN BOXER FAHMY "WRITTEN" A BOOK

Malaya Tribune reporter.

warrior, and was amazed.

his own. I managed to have s

Fahmy, who has just arrived in

There are incidents of Fahmy's

One English paper referred

to him thus: "He's something

like Max Baer," and another

paper, the Springfield Daily

News, (Mass.) writes: "He has

a physique which reminds one

of a Greek god . ". has struck

this country with a sensational

"TERROR OF EGYPT"

And "this Egyptian, "holy terror"

BATTLE OF THE SHORTS

At the end of the session, Lam-

bert appealed to the referee, Moss

Deyong. The official went toward

Fahmy's corner, ordered him to do

In London, Fahmy didn't sit

brand of milling."

#### CARDIFF & CIRCULATION IS **SWANSEA** Mohamed Fahmy, the Egyptian DRAW middleweight champion, with a

Cardin City ... 2 Swansea Town ... 2 Cardin City, who had the assistance of two Welsh internationals --- Bryn Jones and Poland-found the quick tackling Swansea de- he's given his book, and there is fence hard to beat for the

20 minutes. The football was first-class, with the Cardiff attack trying all they knew to force the opening goal. Swansea gave little away but even-

Both goals had several narrow profusely illustrated with pictures. escapes before Cardiff took the news clipping and his own comlead after 25 minutes with a ments in English Egyptian and grand goal by Court. Thirty French. seconds later Sabin, with a real career in Rangoon, Egypt, Alexan-

Swansea fought back determinedly, and after Sneddon and Haines had gone close, Squires, their most dangerous forward, reduced the arrears a minute before

down between rounds, and this

evoked much comment from Swansea continued to be more. various newspapers. The "Terror of Egypt" became a favourite withed play. John, the Swansea in six minutes of his entering the

#### STOKE'S CLASS TOLD

Stoke City .....4 Stockport .....2 he lost against Jimmy Lambert. Matthews equalised from Smith's, the regulation, red ones.

#### WEDNESDAY SURPRISE

Notts took the lead after 13 angle only a foot from the ground. them on."

phasised the referee."

## Nine Goals At Coventry

Coventry 6 West Bromwich A 3: Sound team-work by Coventry was the deciding factor in this high-scoring game, Albion's wingers. were always a source of danger but they received indifferent supface as strongly chiselled as Max port,

Baer's"and a body that would de-Coventry defence, well known for its steadiness, took light a sculptor, has, among other things "written" a book, writes a control of the centre of the field. Their forwards, too proved them-"My Fighting Life" is the title selves fine opportunists.

Albion's right wing troubled Coventry's defence at the outset. only one copy available . . that Is E Jones testing Morgan. For the peek into this product of a gloved home team Frith sent in a drivewhich Saunders saved.

#### NICE PASS

Singapore from London, keeps all: tually the skill of the home for- newspaper cuttings relating to his Green secred for Coventry, after fights abroad in this book which is receiving a nice pass from Lowrie. Green obtained a second, from a header, and after 30 minutes, Frith put the City further ahead with a well-judged shot.

As a result of a fine solo run on dra, London, New York and many lead. The same player improved the left wing, H. Jones reduced the the Albion's position when he beat Morgan with a clever header after the interval.

Soon afterwards, however, Coventry regained their two-goals lead. Lowrie's shot rebounded from: White, landed on the goal line. and bounced into the net." Frith. scored two further goals for Cover entry and Witcomb another for the Albion.

#### ARGYLE'S ATTACK NETS SEX

Plymouth A. 6 Bristol City 0 Plymouth did not score until a few minutes from the interval but. it was a goal which they had deserved throughout the first half and which they would have had but for the good goalkeeping of

At the National Sporting Club. The home side were superior in London, Fahmy lost to Dai Jones. the first half, and little was seen. Then at the end of the first round, of the Bristol forwards, who included Milsom and Dix.

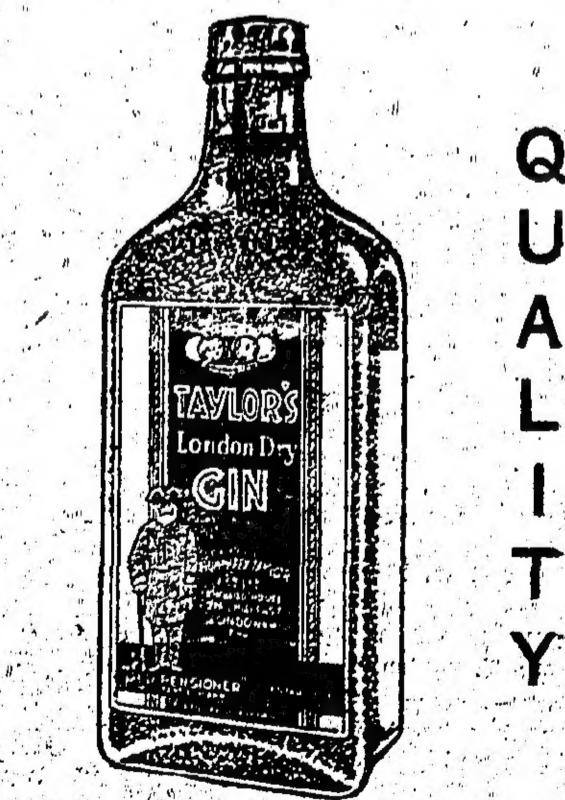
Plymouth took the lead with a to head into the corner of the net. "They're too short and you Mary's three-quarters, broke a Stock's forward play improved mustn't wear white knickers," ward, who led the attack in fine humb, St. Mary's, for six years and Soo put them ahead nine said Lambert, "Here (holding up style, added three goals, and the Burnett and Miss Bradbury v. Miss winners of the Hospitals Cup, minutes after the resumption. Four a pair of red knickers) put these whole forward line combined effectively. Lane and Smith also scored "No, sir." Fahmy was adamant, in the second half,

The framework of the Bristol goal was struck many times, and Watts And so he fought the next round also made several good saves.

> ed" . . . he put the red knickers over his white ones-and lost

the remaining rounds. "But, sir," appealed the Egyp-And now, in Singapore, Fahmy minutes with a picture, goal by tian, "it is unlucky. I lose the who has an American wife, said "I Duncan, headed in from a narrow fight. Please, next time, I put wanna fight Young Frisco," going all American suddenly. Match-"No you'll put 'em on now." em- maker Caesar Houghton is arranging for this contemplated battle of Reluctantly, Mohamed "chang- " the giants.

## their hooker, was unable to give Driver headed a very neat goal TAYLOR'S LONDON OLD TOM & DRY GIN.

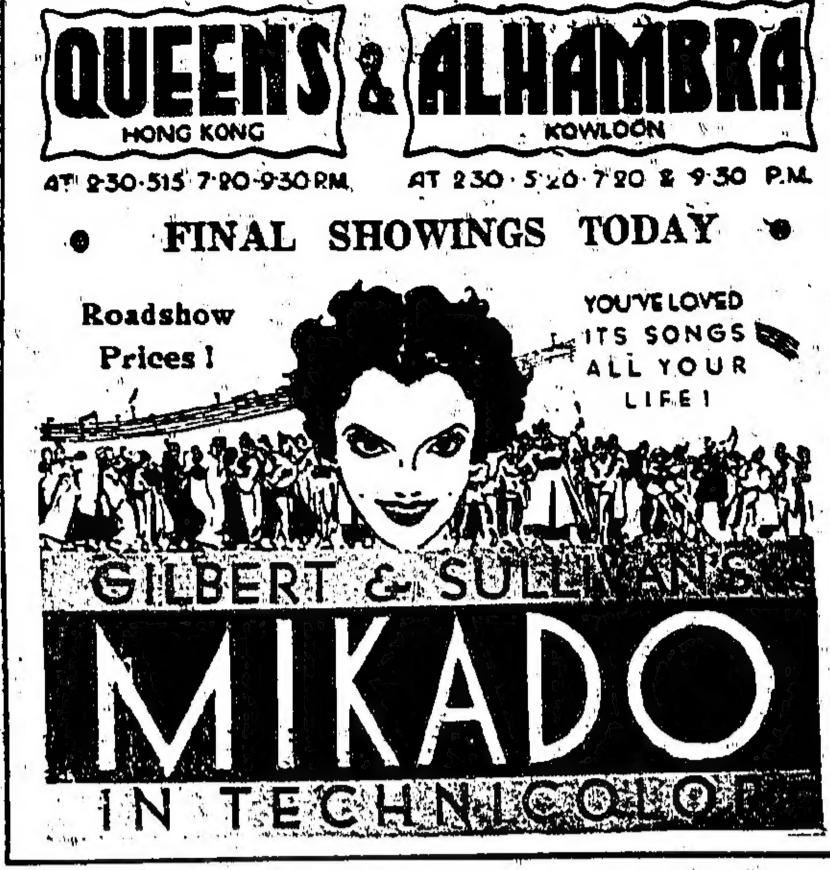


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## COMING EVENTS

12-"des: High 11.24 a.m. and 9.58 p.m. 4 w 4.27 a.m. and 3.15 p.m. Sunrise: 6.53 a.m.; Sunset: 5.40 p.m. Nomination of J.P.'s representative on Legislative Council.

Kowloon Chess Club, Annual Dinner, Peninsula Hotel, 8 pm. H.K. Rotary Club Tiffin Mtg., 1 p.m. Speaker: Mr. L. N. Asclough "General Communications."

Y.M.C.A.: Bridge Class, 10 a.m. Badminton, 6 p.m. Old Marburian Dinner. Recital by Barbara Gilmar, H.R.

Hotel, 9.30 p.m. Anglo-French School Hall, Causeway Bay: "The Queen of Sheba" by Students of French Convent, 5.30 p.m. Army Teachers' Club Annual Mtg. Garden Road, 6.30 p.m.

Christ Church Council Mtg., 6 p.m. St Andrew's Mothers' Union Mtg., Exhibition of Paintings by Erne

Freedlander, Cathedral Hall, 9 a.m.-Cheero Club, Whist Drive, 8.45 p.m. S. and S. Home: Prayer and Fellowship Mtg., 8.30 p.m.

Entries Close for Fanling Hunt and Race Meeting at Kwanti at noon. Ladies Working Party (B.W.O.F.) Govt House, 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

13-Tides: Figh 12.08 a.m. and 10.28 p.m. Low 5.05 a.m. and 3.49

Sunrise: 6.53 a.m.; Sunset: 5.40 p.m.;

H.K.R.A. Shoot, 1.45 p.m. Queen's Theatre: "No! No! Nanet-

Talkoo Club Lawn Bowls, 3.15 p.m. Polo: Kildare Cup Tournament. 3.30 p.m. Cheero Club, Dance, 8.30 p.m. 12-Tides: High 6.16 a.m. and 8.23

p.m. Low 2.07 p.m. Sunrise: 6.53 a.m.; Sunset: 5.40 p.m. Queen's Theatre: "No! No! Nanette." 9.30 p.m.

H.K. Chinese Women's Club, Charity Dance, Peninsula Hotel. Election of J.P.'s representative on Legislative Council. Royal Hongkong Golf Club, Annual Meeting, Jardine, Matheson and Co.'s

office, 5.15 p.m. First Church of Christ Scientist, Lecture by Mr. Colin Rucker Eddison. H.K. Hotel, 6 p.m. Theosophical Society: Speaker-Mr

Wei Tat "Some More Thoughts Ancient Chinese Wisdom." Y.M.C.A.: Games Morning, 10 a.m.; Women's Section Committee Mtg., 10.30 a.m.; A.D.C. Rehearsal, 7 p.m. Meeting of Court of University of H.K., Fung Ping Shan Chinese Li-

trary, 5.30 p.m. 15-Queen's Theatre: No! No Nanette"-9.30 p.m.

Central British Assn Dance. University Women Undergraduates Club Concert in Great Hall, 8.45 p.m. H.K. Football Referees Assn. Annual Dinner, Hotel Cecil. 8.30 p.m. Raub Australian Gold Mining Co., Ltd., third interim dividend payable. H.K. Chamber Music Club Concert at Govt. House, 9.30 p.m. Heep Yunn Girls' School Speech

Day, 5.30 p.m. Y.M.C.A.: Badminton, 6 p.m. Social Evening at Police Recreation Club, Happy Valley, 8.30 p.m.

Servicemen's Dance, S. & S. Home, 8.30 p.m. Criminal Sessions Open, 9.30 p.m. 16-H.K. Jockey Club's 13th Extra

Meeting, 2 p.m. Queen's Theatre: "No! No! Nanette"-9.30 p.m. St, Stephen's Girls' College: Sale of Work in aid of War relief and local

charities, 11 p.m. Y.M.C.A.: A.D.C. Rehearsal, 8.30 Exhibition by Erne Freedlander, St. Andrew's Hall, 9 a.m.—6 p.m.

17-H.K.R.A. | Shoot, 9 a.m. Goif-Club Championship Final. Exhigition by Erne Freedlander, St. Andrew's Hall, 1 p.m. 6 p.m.

Mauricio College of Physical Education: Weight-Lifting Competition, 2,30 p.m. Caroline Hill: Int'l Charity Soccer. 3.30 p.m.

18—Claims against estate of Thomas Meek and Edward Tucker due. Cheero Club, Gala Christmas Dance,

Sandakan Light and Power Co., Ltd., Annual Mtg., Bank of East Asia Bldg., 12 noon.

H.K. Yorkshiremen's Society, Annual Meeting, H.K. Hotel, 5.45 p.m. Busy Bees Working Party-Final Bridge and Mahjongg Drive, Cathedral Hall, 3 p.m.

19-Claims against estate of Gaston Desmullier due. H.K. Horticultural Society, Annual Mtg., Jardine, Matheson's Board Room

5.15 p.m. 20-H.R.R.A. Rifle Shoot, 1.45 p.m. Peak School Prize Day, 5.15 p.m. Second and Third Rounds of Ladies Tennis Championships due to be com-

Y.M.C.A. Pantomime, 5 p.m. 21-Launching at Kowloon Docks. St. Andrew's Club Carnival Dance.

Cheero Club Christmas Dinner. 7.30

Y.M.C.A. Pantomime, 9 p.m.

Children's Fancy Dress Party, Peninsula Hotel, 4 p.m.—6.30 p.m. Schools' Physical Training Competition, K.F.C., 9 a.m. 22-Sino-British Cultural Assn. Mtk. Speaker: Mr. J. E. Witham "China's

China Light and Power Co., Ltd. Annual Mtg., 12 noon. Claims, against Enemy firms (Vincez Singer and Wilhelm Mater and Co.) Schools' Physical Training Competition, H.K.F.C., 9 a.m.; Final at 11.30

23-Y.M.C.A. Pantomime, 3 p.m. 24-Christma Eve. International Soccer. 25 Christmas Day.

26-Boxing Day. R.E.O.C.A. 'Fancy Dress" Peninsula Hotel Fanling Hunt and Race Club Meeting at Kwanti. YM.C.A. Pantomime, 3 p.m. and

30. Claims against estate of Leunz Chan Tak Yan due.

31-New Year's Eve. Pootball Shield, Pirst Round. Y.M.O.A. Pantomime. 9 p.m. Theosophical Boclety: Speaker-Mr. Percy Chen "The Rebirth of Nations."

## Programmes

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12.40 Hawaiian Numbers by Roy Smeck and His Screnaders.

A Little Rendezvous In Honolulu. tra Swing Is In The Air (from the film); Goodnight My Love (film 'Stowaway'). 1.00 Local Time Signal and Wea- and Tito Schipa (Tenor). ther Report.

Christmas — Overture — Symphony Orchestra cond. by Dr. Malcolm "Sargent. Sons of the Sea-Peter Dawson (Bass-Baritone) with Orchestra, "Otello"-Suite - New Symphony Orchestra cond. by Dr. Malcolm Sargent, Spring Had Come" (from 'Hiawatha') -Elsie Suddaby (Soprano) with Orchestra. Life and Death-Peter Dawson (Bass-Baritone) with Orchestra. 1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press, Wea-

ther Forecast and Announcements. 1.45 Harry Roy and His Orchestra. Fox-Trots Slap That Bass (film 'Shall We Dance'); Shall We Dance (from the film). Six-Eight Medley-Valencia: Ca C'est Paris: Picador: Barcelona; Rio de Janeiro; Casabianca. Quicksteps Little Spanish Shawl Lin Liza Jane Slow Fox-Trot-Broken-Hearted Clown; Fox-Trot-Why Can't We Make Love. " Quickstep-Diddle-Dum-Dee; Fox-Trot - Goody-

2.15. Close down:

6.00 Wagner's "Die Walkure" Act I. Characters and Soloists in order of appearance: Siegmund, Lauritz Melchior (Tenor); Sieglinde, Lotte Lehmann (Soprano); Hunding, Emanuel List (Bass) with The Vienns Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Bruno

7.05 Closing Local Stock Quota-7.07 A Light Orchestral Concert.

Summer Day's Suite (Eric Coates) -Light Symphony Orchestra conducted by "Eric Coates. "Tick-Tock" Entracte (Vienna); Shy Serenade (Geo. Scott-Wood)-New Mayfair Novelty Orchestra." Impressione D'Oriente-Descriptive (Amadei); Souvenir D'Ukraine - Descriptive (Ferraris)-Armando Di Piramo and His Orches-

7.30 London Relay-The News. 8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements. 8.03 Berlin State Opera Orchestra.

Eugen Onegin-Waltz (Tchaikowsky); Polonaise No. 2 (Liszt). 8.15 Studio-Piano Recital of Liszt Compositions by Luba Shaftain.

1. Harmonies Poetiques et Religleuses N7; 2, Sonetto 123 del Petrarca; 3. Soirees de Vienne (Schubert-Liszt). Charpentier — Impressions

D'Italie-Suite. Orchestre Symphonique de Paris conducted by Gustave Charpentier.

9.05 Studio-Comments on Recent Events.

9.15 London Relay-News Summary. 9.30 London Relay-"Cards on the

Fox-Trots-Stay As Sweet As You

9.45 Dance Music.

Are (film 'College Rhythm'); Let's Give Three Oheers for Love (film 'College Rhythm')-Tom Coakley and His Palace Hotel Orchestra. Fox-Trots-Have A Little Dream On Me; Who Made Little Boy Blue Jack Jackson and His Orchestra. Waltz-Little Anne - Jungherr's Accordion Melodians. Fox Trots-Did My Heart Beat: Down A Long, Long Road-Jack Jackson and His Orchestra. Fox-Trots-Won't You Stay To Ten? No born'). Outside of Paradise (from the More Love-Ray Noble and His Orfilm); I Let A Song Go Out Of My chestra. Waltz-The Dance Goes On (from 'Over the goes')-Mantovani & His Tipica Orchestra. Fox-Trots—The Spider and The Fly; Taint What You Do-"Fats" Waller and His Rhythm. Waltz-Song of the Islands: Fox- Quickstep-Cathedral In The Pines: Trot-Moon Over Miami. Fox-Trots- Waltz-The First Quarrel - Victor Honolulu Stars and Hawaiian Guitars; Silvester and His Ballroom Orches-

10.30 A Spanish Programme with Conchita Supervia (Mezzo-Soprano)

La Rosa Oriental (Ramon Espigul) 1.03 Compositions of Coleridge Tay- Conchita Supervia (Mezzo-Soprano) with Orchestra, Tangos Buen Amigo:" Night On The La Plata-Juan Llossas and His Tango Orchestra Princesita (Palomero-Padilla): Granadinas (Calleja-Barrera) -Tito Schipa (Tenor) with Orchestra. Tangos -Tango Mio: Sierra Chica-Juan Llossas and His Tango Orchestra. La Zingarella (Paisiello); Pastora (Murillo-Miranda) -- Conchita Supervia (Mezzo-Soprano) with Orchestra.

11.00 Close down.

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			4.00 p.m.

Full Bulletin ..... 5.00 p.m. Trans. II & III-News Summary ..... 6.45 p.m. Pull Bulletin ...... 7.30 p.m. ..... 9.15 p.m. ..... 12.00 mid-Transmission V-News Summary ..... 7.30 a.m.

#### SHORT TALKS FROM B.B.C.

(All Hongkong Time) Mondays - Background to the News ...... 11.00 p.m. Tuesdays - Background to the News ...... 8.15 a.m. In England Now .... 11.00 p.m. Cards on the Table 8.00 p.m. Wednesdays — In England Now ...... 6.45 a.m. Cards on the Table 8.15 a.m. Matters of Moment 11.00 p.m. Thursdays-Matters of Moment ..... 6.45 a.m. Background to the News ...... 11.00 p.m. Fridays - In England Now ...... 11.00 p.m. Saturdays-In England

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#### DANCE: CABARET ON THURSDAY

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be seen in floor show numbers. The charities are the British Local Emergency Fund, the Hongkong Refugees Fund and the British War Organisation Fund.

The first mentioned has been started to procure funds for the equipment of the First Ald Posts established in connection with the Colony's Medical Defence Scheme

ELABORATE PROGRAMME An outstanding feature of the function will be that a cabaret turn will follow each dance. For and floor space is limited. Tickets instance, the diners may take the are available at the Peninsula noor for a fox trot. They will then Hotel and at the Chinese Women's be entertained to a cabaret turn Club, 11; Queen's Road (at the before the band takes up the next dance number so that the entertainment will be continuous throughout the evening.

has been drawn up and for the of the Hongkong Rotary Club at first time a Hongitong audience I p.m. today on to Chinese munications." will be entertained

music in old Chinese costumes by a troupe of highly talented amateurs including Mrs. Else Soons and Miss Mae Ng. two of the leading stars of "Romance of the Western Chamber." This number, which is entitled "Spring Song and the Dance of the Fairies," will be the highlight of the evening's show. SHIELD PLAY

Other numbers include a Chinese shield play by Misses Cheng Pikying and Cheng Shuet-ying who will sing in duct, a ballet dance der, falls into his hands. To trace by little Miss Rosita Wu, clubswinging by Mr. G. Gilcrest, tapdance by Mrs. Else Soong and the step his relentless pursuit of the Misses Soong, song by Miss Doris Louey and crooning by Miss Colleen Ng Quin.

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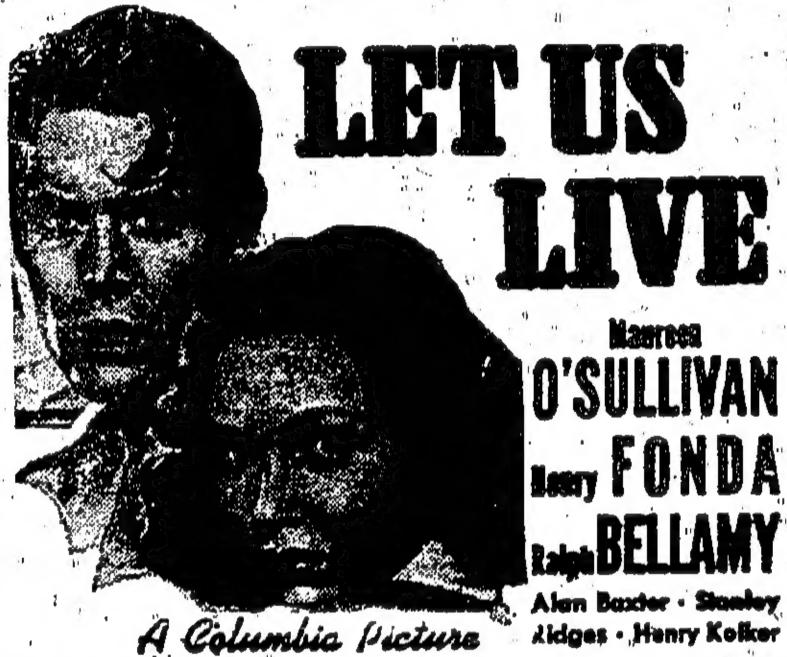
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Hongkong Schools Friday, Dec. 22, at 9 a.m. at Hongkong Football Club Ground.

The final will take place at 11.30 am on Friday, Dec. 22, when His present. There will be demonstration by Senior Schools.

## AIRPORT NEWS

Imperial Airways:

SOUTHBOUND Wednesday: Hanoi, Bangkok. Delia-7 a.m.

NORTHBOUND Thursday: Bangkok, Hanoi, Hongkong.

Delphinus-4 p.m. Air France NORTHBUUND Wednesday: France, Hanol

Hongkong. Service-4 p.m. SOUTHBOUND

Thursday: Hanoi, France. Bervice-6 a.m. Pan American Alrways. EASTBOUND

Sunday: U. S. A., Manila, Hong-KONK Honolulu Clipper-2 p.m.

WESTBOUND Monday: Manila U. S. A. Honolulu Clipper-8.30 a.m.

A.A. Firing practice will be carried out between the hours of 9 a.m. and 2 p.m., today. Alternative date 13th and 14th December. Firing Area "C" will be affected."

Foreign reports state that Bara Nelson T. Johnson, United States will be Ambassador to China, is leaving short Peiping for Shanghai at the from end of this month to spend the New Year there.

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> PARADES 1st Battery

Dec. 15 Belchers, 5.45 p.m. B.C. gun detachments. Lewis Guntiers and D.E.L. Section. Dress

2nd Battery

Camp:-Dec. 13 H.Q. for camp. 9.30 a.m.—Kit bags and baggage, stomach trouble with BISMAG ('Bisuret- 10.00 a.m.-B.Q.M.S. and Advance Party. 3.30 pm.—Battery parade. Dress—S.D. caps, overalls, gun Dress-S.D. caps; K.D. jacket and platform shoes. trousers, boots, belt, frog and haversack web, lanyard Greatcoat to be carried.

#### 3rd Battery

Camp:—Dec. 13 H.Q. Advance Party under Bdr: Gulmham 9,45 d.m. Remainder 3.45 p.m. Dress-Jackets, trousers, S.D. caps, boots, webbing belt, braces and pouches, haversacks and waterbottle. Greatcoats to be carried over the left

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4th Battery

Dec. 15 Queen's Pier, 5.30 p.m. (returning 8 p.m.) All members.

Field Company Engineers Dec. 14 K.C.R. 5.30 p.m. Technical training by sections.

Corps Signals Dec 15 H.Q. 5.15 p.m. All detachments. Signal "training.

Armoured Car Platoon Dec. 15 (1) H.Q. 5.30 p.m. A. nd B Classes. M.G. instruction. (ii) Hung Homi Depot, 5.30 p.m. Driving instruction.

No. 1 Company Nos 1 and 2 Platoons:-Dec. IF

H.Q. 5.30 p.m. As Company pro-No. 2 Company Dec. 14 (1) No 6 Platoon, Kow-

loon Dock. 5.30 p.m. L.G.—A.A. drill. (il) No. 7 Platoon. H.Q. 5.30 p.m. A Class. Pistol training at Kennedy Road Range. B Class. Stoppages, I.A. No. 4 Company

Dec. 15 H.Q. 5.30 p.m. Company parade. L.G. training. Repeat lesson 5. Dec. 17 Stonecutters. Rifle Table B. Those detailed. "No. 7 Company

Dec. 14 H.Q. 5.45 p.m. Rifle training, No. 1 Platoon, L.G. training, No. 2 Platoon.

Army Service Corps Company Transport Section: - Dec. 14 H.Q. 5.30 p.m. Company parade. Dress-optional.

Field Ambulance

Dec. 15 5.30 p.m. Companies parade separately at St Paul's College for lectures in First Aid. All members who have not yet returned their ground sheets must return them to Q.M.S. Steven on or before Wed., Dec. 13.

Pay Section Those detailed.

CORPS ORDERS-AMENDMENT Corps Orders No. 60/39 of th

24/11/39. Para 1-Qualification-Crossley Engines. For "Y. K. Pun" read "P.N. Pun' and for "Gnr H, K, Chan" read

"L/Bdr. H.K. Chan." TRANSFER

Air Arm. 1/12/39. C.Q.M.S. F. G. Nigel, No. 1 Coy. No. 7 Coy 8/12/39.

LEAVE"

Pte, D. W. Beeken, Armd, C. Pl 7/11/39—31/1/40

11/12/39-24/12/39. 15/12/39---15/1/40

Pte. E. A. Matthews, No. 1 Coy. 22/12/39-12/1/40. Pte. R. C. F. MacGregor, No. 1 Coy. 16/11/39-15/11/40. Pte. F. Cessford, No. 2 Coy. 8/

12/39-2/1/40. STRENGTH-DECREASE

Pte. B. T. Gosano, No. 6 Coy. 18/ Gnr. W. C. Muir, 1st Bty. "28/

Spr. H. E. Baker, Fd. Coy. Engs. Pte, P. Llang, No. 7 Coy. 27/7/

Pte, F. H. Chan, No. 3 Coy 29/ Gnr. N. O. Christensen, 2nd Bty.

Gnr. E. Huttemeler, 2nd Bty. Gnr. K. Wilkens, 2nd Bty. 6, L/Bdr. L. D. Fernandes, 4th Bty.

Pte. J. M. Pechenick, Fd. Ambulance. 19/10/39. Pte. A. M. G. Philippens, A.S.C. 22 Tool Coy. 21/10/39.

Pte. Lau Kam Kwong, No. 4 Coy. 24/10/39. Gnr. R. M. Santos, 3rd Bty. 30/ 28 Alds Gnr. H. M. Santos, 3rd Bty.

25/10/39. Pte. M. A. Gill, No. 5 Coy, 27/10/

Pte. E. B. David, Fd. Amb. 10/ Gnr. G. Campbell, 5th A.A. Bty.

10/11/39, Gnr. W. Kong. 4th Bty. 4/12/39, Pte. A. V. Hui, No. 4 Coy. 7/12/

Pte. K. K. Chan, No. 4 Coy. 27 Pte. P. Ng. No. 4 Coy. 8/12/39.

STRENGTH-INCREASE Sigmn, J. S. Rose, Corps Signals.

## Mr. Gandhi's Proposals Condemned

#### MOSLEM LEADER ON' THE "HINDU CAUCUS"

NEW DELHI, Dec. 11 (Reuter)-Interviewed by Reuter, Mr. Jinna, President of the All-India Moslem, League, condemns "Mr. Gandhi's proposal for a Constitutional Assembly,

Mr. Jinna relterates his willingness to give every "assistance" wards getting an honourable solution of the Hindu-Moslem question but the proposed Assembly would be best manoeuvred and managed by the "Hindu Caucus."

#### JAPANESE TRAIN STRIKES MINE

-A Shanghai-bound freight train was wrecked when it to meet the high cost of living. struck a Chinese mine at Chow- Those of the Sincere and Sun Comchinghang, near Wusih, on the panies staged a go-slow strike yes-Nanking-Shanghai. Railway, on terday as their demands were re-Saturday, according to a Shanghai | jected by their employers. report.

Japanese troops in the vicinity rushing to the scene were attacked and thrown back by Chinese guerillas.

Gnr. T. A. Jolendovsky, 1st Bty. 19/10/39. Pte. J. C. Davis, A.S.C. Coy. 8

Gnr. W. K. Lam, 5th A.A. Coy. 1/12/39.

PROMOTIONS A/Bdr. A. M. Wahal, 3rd Bty.

Bdr: 8/12/39.

CORPS CHRISTMAS CARDS Corps Christmas Cards are on sale in the Officers' Mess, Ser-

geants' Mess and Canteen. Price 35 cents each.

## STRENGTH-DECREASE

Mrs. M. Austin, Miss A. Brewin Miss N. Witchell, Miss E. Witchell Mrs. M.E. Bolt, Mrs. B. Hourihan, Mrs. N. Lee, Mrs. W. Sharp, Miss J. Old, Mrs. E. R. Harding, Mrs. O. Burnett, Mrs. P. L. O. Ferguson, Mrs. W. Whittaker, Miss J. Nash, Mrs. L. Cartwright: Mrs. Williams, Mrs. J. E. Ramsay, Miss M. C. Smith, Mrs. D. Jilani, Mrs. J. G. Pte. A. F. Walken, Armd C" Pl. Smith, Mrs. F. George, Miss N. Kempton, Mrs. A. Middleton-Smith, Mrs. P. C. Fox. Mrs. D. K. Benwell, Mrs. M. A. Read, Miss fighter squadron. E. M. S. Keniston, Mrs. E. F. Hirst.

> Andresen. (Sgd.) MRS. I. M. S. BRAUDE, Assistant Comdt., Nursing Detachment, ...

> > H.K.V.D.C.

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## CONTINUED RISE IN PRICES

#### S'HAI COUNCIL CONCERNED

CHUNGKING, Dec. 11 (Central)-The Shanghai Municipal Council is concerned about the sharp rise in the rice prices during the last few days, a Shanghai report states.

Mr. T.K. Ho, deputy secretary of the Council, has fixed the maximum price at \$45 per picul following a consultation with the rice Market Control Committee last Saturday. Merchants attempting to sell rice above this price are liable to punishment.

The price soared as high as \$49 per picul on Saturday."

PRICES DOUBLED

Prices of other commodities in Shanghai have been doubled recently. As a result employees CHUNGKING, Dec. 11 (Central) of various firms are asking in-Japanese creases in their salaries in order

## Nazi U - Boat Output

## REPLACEMENTS ARE

LONDON, Dec. 11 (Reuter)-It was learned in London yesterday that Germany is unlikely to be able to replace her submarines" Gnr."D. Rumyee, 5th A.A. Coy. more rapidly than at the present rate of losing them, namely, two to four weekly.

present and future U-Boat output is unavailable, but the Deutsche L/Bdr. M. Zaman, 3rd Bty., Bdr. Allgemeine Zeitung indicates that the 1917 output, estimated at one daily, can be greatly exceeded.

> According to the figures available, official circles in London. however, rate \*that the commissioning of German submarines in 1917 averaged seven monthly. The highest monthly number was thirteen and doubt is expressed whether it is now possible to approach that figure given shortage of materials, the absence of skilled labour, diversion of workers for production at Ersatz of materials for service of the armed forces.

## NEW R.A.F.

The Nizam of Hyderabad's Newhouse, Miss V. Bockler, Mrs. O. 2100,000 gift to the Royal Air B. Fitz Henry. Miss J. Shirley, Mrs. Force has been used to form a

This is the second time in 20 Mrs. | E. Cheure, Miss S. Bander, years that an R.A.F. squadron has Pte. Chan Fook, No.4 Coy. Chor. Mrs. R. L. Davis, Mrs. C. D. Hop- borne his name. Pilots from per, Mrs. J. Smyth, Miss B. M. Ho- Britain and nearly all the Gnr. F. D. Tanner, 5th A.A. Bty. well, Miss R. Jordan, Mrs. B. O. Dominions are in the newly formed

> The Nizam of Hyderabad has not only borne the cost of the aircraft but is also paying the maintenance.—The Times.

WINE DEPT.

## BELOW LOSSES

The German estimate of the PRESENT CONDITIONS

## SOUADRON

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Dance Band of 2nd Bn. The Royal Scots. (The Royal Regiment).

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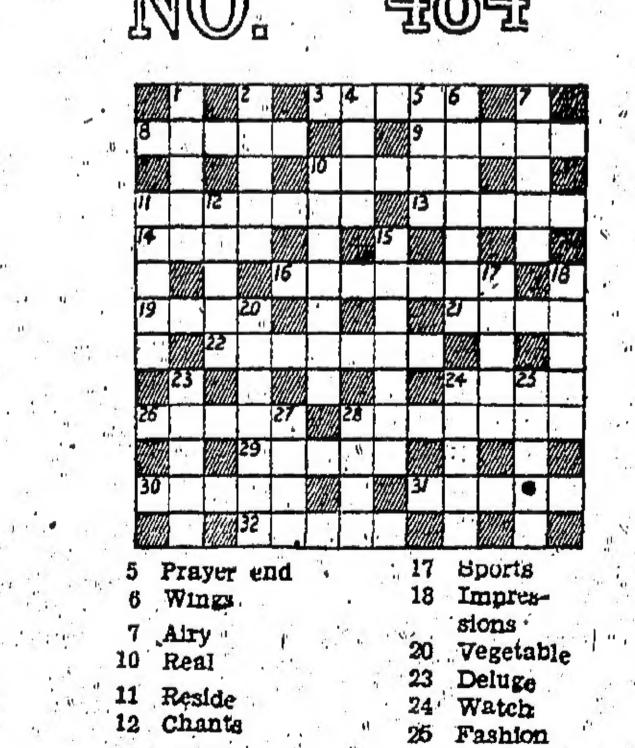
Tickets to be obtained at Hong Kong and Peninsula Hotels, Children \$2.00. Adults \$1.00.

#### CUTEX CREME NEW SHADES! A NEW POLISH! POLISH Old Rose Paris Greet this season with one of the five gay new Cutex Nail Polish shades . . . Clover ... Tulip ... Thistle ... Laurel" ... Heather. They're carefully designed to harmonize with the current favourites in fabric colours. Important: All Cutex shades are now available in a new type of polish that wears days longer, without chipping, peeling, or fading. It flows on to CLOVER the nail smoothly and easily-leaving a TULLE jewel-like lustre on every fingertip.

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#### SOCIETY HONGKONG HOLD OF CHILDREN ANNUAL MEETING

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thanks to His Excellency and Lady they left Hongkong. identified Northcote, I will not steal his themselves closely with our work. expression of our intense pleasure by their departure. in having our two Patrons with us

#### "KEY POSITIONS

of the Executive Committee, the whole-hearted co-operation, tant office of Hon, Director, which mittee. · is at the present moment vacant. and to which I will revert later. " When I tell you that the Chairman, the Hon. Secretary and the Hon. Treasurer were primarily responsible for the compilation of the annual report,"you will understand the reason" for the omission.

The Chairman of the Executive Committee is His Honour Sir Atholi MacGregor. Sir Atholi is an ideal chairman. He presides over us with dignity and good humour, tact men and women who go to the meeting after a fully day's work.

During a year of heavy and increasing public and social duties, Sir Atholl gave himself to the Society without stint, and his relinquishment of the chairmanship will be a serious loss, Fortunately his wise counsel and able guidance will still be available to us.

#### LABOUR OF LOVE

the Society is no sinecure. It en- and distinction. In April last he bers that this has been a year of tails a tremendous amount of left for a well-earned holiday, and considerable development, that we work, but fortunately we have in on his return a few weeks ago he have dealt with more new cases Mrs. Crozier one who is more than informed us, to our profound re- than ever before and that we have equal to it. Her devotion to this gret, that he was unable to resume embarked on a new phase of the labour of love, and the efficient office. manner in which she has discharged her heavy duties, have 'earned our admiration and grati-

Our Hon, Treasurer Mr. Mac-Kellar, ably assisted by Mr. Kwok Chan, has rendered yeoman service to the Society. Mr. MacKellar has been more than Hon. Treasurer; he has taken the keenest and closest interest in everything concerning the Society. In the absence of the Hon. Director for eight months of the year, much additional work has devolved upon him and Mrs. Crozier.

The Society, without his vigilance and financial ability at its disposal, would not have been able to achieve so much with so little to spend. Mr. McKellar will not spend a red cent unnecessarily, but when he sees the need, he does not hesitate to advocate the expenditure of a couple of thousand dollars." Such a trait is worthy of a Sidney Caine.

Mention of Mr. Caine reminds me of the severance of his connection with the Society. Shortly after their arrival in the Colony, two and a half years ago, Mr. and

As the Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo will in Mrs. Caine became members of this Atholi MacGregor said:due time propose a formal vote of Society, and had ever since, until thunder, but confine myself towan The Society is much the poorer cluded therein, to give a very short

#### DEBT OF GRATITUDE

Dr. Hunter who, I understand, Only a month or two before our You may have noticed that in may not return to Hongkong. the annual report there is no men- She has placed us under a deep tion of the work of the "Chairman deby of gratitude not only by her Hon, Secretary and the Hon, Trea- Medical Officer in charge of the surer. These officers, hold three of Violet Peel Infant Welfare Centre, the four "key positions in the So- but also by her valuable advice as ciety, the fourth being the impor- a member of the Executive Com- the Society could reasonably look

> On previous occasions I have had the pleasure of giving expression, to our profound appreciation of the wor erful help we have received from the Women's Auxiliary. Year after year these ladies have been the mainstay of our financial fabric, being responsible for about 30 per cent, of our total annual revenue,...

Year after year they have taken and patience. Always ready to hear on additional duties to the im-suppliers have always been cordial every side of a question, he is yet mense benefit of the poor children and, on their part, generous, and prompt in the despatch of business, of the Colony. Without this bedy I do not think that we need antiwhich is a distinct boon to the busy of noble and indefatigable work- cipate any undue call on our reers I really do not know how the sources in respect of the milk and II fear that no words of mine can to so many of our children. adequately express our sense of gratitude to them.

#### IMPORTANT OFFICE

As I have said, the office of Hon. Director is at present vacant About three years ago the Society had the good fortune of securing the services of Mr. G. P. de Martin for this important office, and The office of Hon. Secretary to he filled it with singular success more remarkable when one remem-

I earnestly hope that before long circumstances will so change as will enable Mr. de Martin to undertake these very responsible duties which, performed by a man of his tried experience and quick sympathy, will confer lasting benefits on the poor children of the Co-

In making my inadequate acknowledgment of the services renforget the good work of the of new cases dealt with each year Branch Hon, Secretaries, Mr. L. D. Skinner, Mrs. R. C. Beavan, Mr. W. A Jones and Mrs. Pearson Grant, or of that of the Hon. Secretary 1932 to the end of this year and for the Creche, Mrs. W. Park. To shows that expenditure over those these ladies and gentlemen I ex- eight years has increased only from press very warm thanks for their \$21,000 to very little more than

. Where all have had a share in contributing to the result achieved, it is impossible for me to mentan everyone by name, and I hope, therefore, that I may be forgiven if I thank, collectively, as I do now, the splendid band of workers who have given so much of themselves to the Society with

the sole thought of alleviating and bettering the lot of poor and suffering children.

## SIR ATHOLL MACGREGOR

In proposing the adoption of the annual report and accounts, Sir

'I am glad to have this opportunity, by moving the adoption of the report and the accounts inaccount of my stewardship during the past year,

It has not been an easy time or Another helper we have lost is by any means free from anxiety. last annual meeting Canton fell: all through this year hostilities have continued in China and, since September 3, Great Britain also has been at war.

It has naturally," therefore, been a matter of some doubt whether for that degree of financial support from the public which they have never failed to obtain in the

#### ANOTHER ANXIETY

In the last few weeks too anwould seem now to be unnecessary.

..The Society's relations with its Society can carry on its work, and other things which we have to give

> The year has ended with a debit balance of \$766, a figure. the smallness of which I regard as amazing and a most wonderful token of the support which the Society is accorded by the public.

#### MORE NEW CASES

The amount of the deficit is still Society's work in the running of Clubs for young children at the two Kowloon centres—an afternoon club for girls and closer and increased, co-operation with the Boys and Girls Clubs Association

We are also opening a new cenbadly needed, this month. By the kindness of Mr. S. V.

Boxer I have been furnished with a chart showing the average in- (Monthly) 20; H. M. Miller 15. Total come of each of the families with \$296.781.96. which we have dealt, the number

The chart covers the period from \$25,000 this year while the figure for new cases in the past twelve months is 2,806 or more than three times as many as in the first of the year shown on the chart.

A copy of this graph will be published in the local press thanks to the kindness of Mr. Franklin, to whom the Society never looks vain-but I hope that these few explanatory remarks may have helped towards its fuller understanding.

Before I close I want to say how very indebted I have been throughout the year to our Honorary Secretary, Mrs. Crozier, our Treasurer, Mr. McKella, and the ladies on the Women's Auxiliary than whom no better committee can exist anywhere!

I beg Sir, to move that the report and accounts for the year an association among the clubs of ending October 31, 1939, be adopt- this sort and those of the Boys

Hon, Mr. Thomas Tam seconded and the proposal was carried." ELECTIONS

The election of Vice-Presidents Honorary Vice-Presidents, Genera and Executive Committees and other Officers and Officers Designate as in printed the annual report, was proposed by Sir Henry Pollock, Seconded by Mr. A. el Arculli, and carried unanimously.

AUDITORS THANKED

A vote of thanks to the honorary auditors, Messra. Percy Smith, Seth and Fleming, was proposed by Mr. A. McKellar and Seconded by Mrs. Crozier.

HON. MR. M. K. LO The Hon, Mr. M. K. Lo, in proposing a vote of thanks to His Excellency and Lady Northcote for their presence, said that the So-

## British War Organization Fund

The British War Organization Fund, Hongkong has now reached \$296,781.96.

The latest list of subscriptions includes one of \$2,500 from Imperial Chemical Industries (China), Ltd., two of \$1,500 each from The Kowloon Motor Bus Co., and A. S. Watson and Co., and one of \$1,000 from the Chung Hwa Book

Previously Acknowledged \$282,878.69; "Nurse Edith Cavell" Film. 2,120.44; G. J. P. Carcy 10; Menam River Towage and Lighter Co. 500; Mahjong Four 25; Peter, Mary and Gale 200; Staff of Union Insce. Socy. of Canton, November 134.50; M. M. Affanassieff 5; Imperial Chemical Industries (China), Ltd. 2,500; Putt Tan Hong 138; Lo Ying Ming 50; Chan Kwok Tung 10; Chow On Chung 10; An Indian Friend 10; Yau Sum Yun 5; Wong Nan Keung 10; Lo Yum Man 5; Chellaram 20; Li 5; Mrs. Hsu Ti Shan other matter for anxiety was the 5: Gim Hau Ming 5: Chan Wai Fong inevitable rise in the cost of im- 5; Au Bit Tak 5; Cheng Sam Mik 5; ported foodstuffs owing to the war Chan Tit Yat 5: Mrs. Yan Lui Shi 5; Yan Chi Kai 5; Chan Chak Ki 10; in Europe, but I am happy to say Leung Ki Yeung Hong 5; Lu Tak that worry on that score at least Kong 5; Mrs. Luk 50; Mrs. Wong Sung Ki 10: Ho Suet Ching 5; Mrs. Almeida 10; Irish Free State 15 Cooker Tipp 10; Carroll Bros. 25; J. Ruttonjee 10: "K. Hassaram and Co. 5; Tsar Yip Hong 64; Kan Kam Ching 20; Lumber Merchants Assn. 500; Wing Chong Tal 20; Wing Tal Chong Co., Ltd. 100; Wing Shun Hing-20: Woo Yuen 20; Sum Mon 20; Wing On 20; Tung Yick 20; Sam Yick 20; Tung Fat 20; Chung Hing 20; Ho Sing Chau 100; Tung Chong Hong 25; Cheung Liu Leung Kwar Assn. 68; Yuen Wai Yeung 10; Hong Yuen Can Co. 10; The Hou. Mr. Li Tse Fong 300; M. W. Lo 100; Chung Hwa Book Co. 1,000; Lee Iu Cheung 200; Lui Sui Tak 100; The Kowloon Motor Bus Co. 1,500; Lo Tse Nin 5; Miss Woo Lat Ming 6: Leung Fat 10: Pun Hon 5: Yinson Lee 5: Lam Pui Sang 200: Wing Chong Tai 10; Sweepstake Winners 138.80; Staff of Sanitary Dept. November 131.40; Anonymous 150; J. A. Watson 20; Frank Groves 100: H. S. Jones 50; R. K. Valentine December 20, W. J. Reid December 20: L. C. Baker November/December 20: Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Walkden— December 20: Miss H. Turnbull-Nov./Dec. 10: J. S. Dunnett (Month- 20: Evan W. Davies (Monthly) 10: Anonymous 20: Some of the Chinese Staff of Holts Wharf 44.03: Ladies Working Party—Union Church 100 Headmistress, Diocesan Girls School Violet Capell Dencing Display 100: Mr. and Mrs. F. Flippance 100: Chinese Staff-Wilkinson and Gristtre. in an area where it is very Nov. 19.10; A. S. Watson and Co. l.500: Entertainment Committee — American Tennis Tournament 805; D.

> BANKERS' ORDERS E. W. Davies (Monthly) \$10; Dr. D. J. Valentine (Monthly) 20.

G. Day (Monthly) 15; A. H. Guinness

(Monthly) 20: Dr. D. J. Valentine

and interest in the work of the

H.E. THE GOVERNOR His Excellency replied on behalf of himself and Lady Northcote and said that he did not come expecting to make a speech:

"I feel that you, Mr. Lo, and you. Mr. Chairman, have done myself and my wife an injustice," he said. "It is only natural, I think, that all human beings should take a deep interest in the work of a society of this nature."

Continuing, His Excellency said there was not much he could say on the subject of the conduct of the Society's affairs. There were two points in the report, however, which were of special interest, the increasing number of people under the Society's care and the new experiment of children's clubs.

#### SOCIETY'S CLUBS

He was glad to think there was and Girls' Society. He referred to the club started by Mrs. Caine in Cornaught Road and if these clubs were anything like that club he wished them well. He hoped to visit one of the Society's clubs soon. He was struck by the low cost of maintaining such clubs.

His Excellency said that the fact that the Society had \$950 less in actual cash than it had a year ago was a matter for serious consideration and he hoped that the eloquent appeal made by Sir Atholi MacGregor would succeed by drawing donations from the public next

Sir Geoffry said that whoever had done the graph had performed a public service.

#### PRESS THANKED"

Mr. F. H. Loseby said:-I have been asked to propose a ciety appreciated the very deep vote of thanks to the Press for the interest H.E. and Lady Northcote generous help, which they have had taken, in the welfare of the given to the Society for the last children of Hongkong and their 12 months.

ther testimony of their concern this privilege. For the past 10

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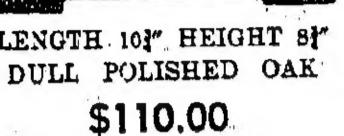
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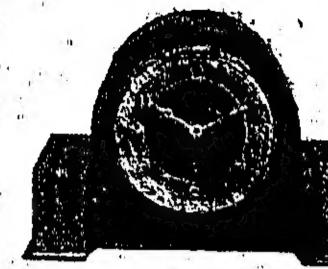
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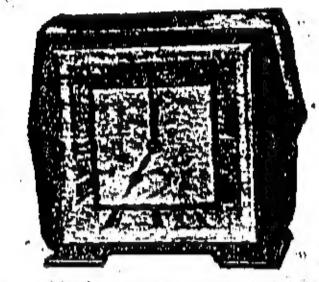




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## King Leaves The Front

#### FRENCH GENERALS DECORATED

LONDON, Dec. 11 (Reuter)— Before leaving France, His Majesty the King personally decorated Flying Officer Graveley and Sergt, F. Gardiner with the O. B. E. (Military).

Cavalry captain the D. S. O. with the Distinguished Flying Medal Gen. Gamelin, the French C.-in-C. presented the Croix

He conferred on a French

de Guerre to a British pilot sergeant His Majesty invested Gen. Gamelin with the Grand Cross of the Bath and General Georges with the Grand Cross

#### TWO BRAVE DEEDS

of the British Empire.

Flying Officer Graveley, it will be recalled, showed a total disregard of his own safety when he pulled his observer from his plane which was shot down in flames.

Sergt. Gardiner who was the observer in a plane which had been seriously damaged by the enemy, kept the plane on an accurate course despite a wound over his eye and when the plane caught fire on landing he put out the burning clothes of the wireless

years, for seven of which I was an officer, the Society has received the most generous help from the Press. Advertisement space and news columns have been given without stint and without charge. But we have received much more than this.

Our officers have always had the personal help and advice of the editors and other members of the Fourth Estate, in addition to candid and helpful criticism both public and private. Probably, when all things are taken into account, criticism is the most valuable of all these gifts.

I can, therefore, assure the Press that the help we have received is sincerely appreciated.

Mr. S. V. Boxer proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the Chair presence at the meeting was fur- I was very pleased to be given and the meeting was then declared closed.



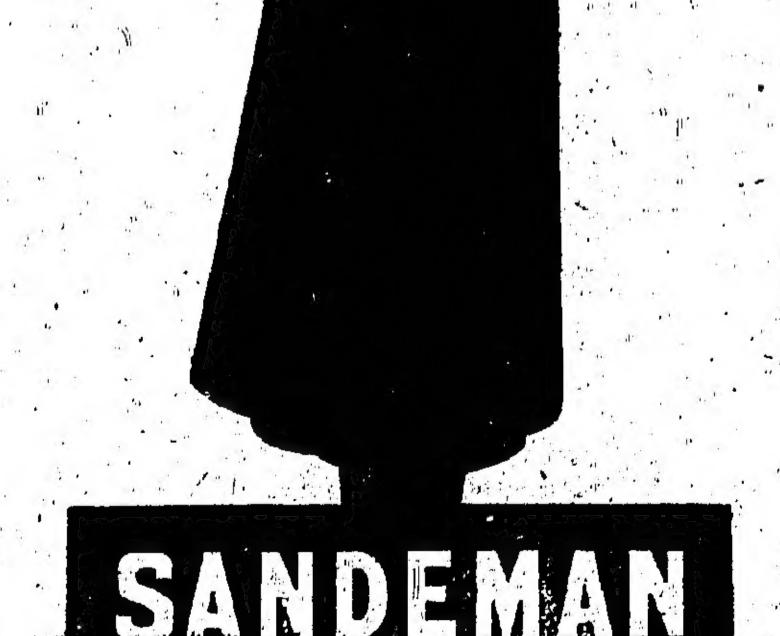
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The TRANSFER BOOK of the Company will be CLOSED from the 16th to 19th December, 1939, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors, FUNG PING FAN, Director & Secretary."

Hong Kong, 12th Dec., 1939.

## "ROPNER'S NAVY"

## Merchantmen's Engagement

Behind the statement by Colonel Leonard Ropner, Conservative M.P. for Barkston Ash, Yorkshire in the House of Commons that two Uboats had been disabled by ships of "Ropner's Navy" and finally sunk by destroyers, is a story of the skill of the British merchant service

Colonel Ropner is director of the firm of Sir R. Ropner and Co., Sir John Gilmour, Minister of Shipping, on the success of the the Admiralty 'Ropner's Navy' is almost as well known as his Majesty's "

A reporter learned that one of the Ropner ships was homeward and the other outward bound when the submarines were seen to rise to the surface. When the U-boat attacked the captain of one of the ships gave orders to man the guns, and the men took on with zeal the was answered with shot and the ship was able to outmanueuvre the U-boat by zig-zagging swiftly.

nearly five hours. One of the shells from the ship scored a direct hit on the U-boat's conning tower. The ship was' struck, too, by a shop from the "submarine, but the damage was not sufficient to disable her.

"JICK TO RESPOND

Meanwhile, wireless messages had been sent out, and British became, certain.

second ship was also sent to the tence was menaced by the im- could render to the cause of bottom.

returned to port they spoke with enthusiasm of the "extraordinary pluck" of their crews. "They went into action with the submarine as if they had been used to it all their lives." said one skipper.-Manchester Guardian.

#### CHARITY MAY LOSE £300,000

Hospitals and other charities may have to give back £300,000 which they received from estate of Mr. Caleb Diplock, or Southdown Hall, Polegate, near Eastbourne.

Mr. Diplock died in 1938 at the age of 95, leaving estate valued at over £500,000. Now, three years However, the Abyssinian the legitimate interests later, an elderly man living in episode also had its. Hoare- self-defence, like those of Australia who says he is a cousin. Laval ramp, and, as the China, or the highly suspect has challenged the will.

#### BRITISH OVERSEAS **AIRWAYS**

Mr. Walter Leslie Runciman was appointed chief executive member, with the title of directorgeneral, at the first meeting on December 1 of the British Overseas Airways Corporation,

Reith, chairman, and Mr. Clive issues of principle, though it it was designed to supersede! suite of clothing and 20,000 pairs projects. In this way, the will of Pearson, deputy chairman,—The led to a more satisfactory nothing different can, Times.

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## WRAITHS GENEVA

WHAT WAS TO BE the Parliament of Nations on the shores of Lake Geneva has indeed fallen upon evil days. Compounded of equal parts of the Treaty of Versailles, the "Cordon Sanitaire" against the westward advance | tion and help.

of the revolutions, which marked the end of the last war, and the true and deep desire of the peoples of the world for peace it never overcame the contradictions of which it was born. Today, we are compelled to recognize that the League never had any existence or aim, in the from existence and aims of its MR. EDEN ON individual members, which remained pretty much what they had been before its foundation.

ALMOST AT BIRTH, the League of Nations found itself faced by situations in which Parliamentary its members threw professions | Dominions Office, and a number of into the discard and adjusted themselves as best they could, using the machinery ostensibly designed for a different purpose, to the old and unpleasant game Power politics. When, in 1921, Poland, a member state, tore Vilna from the body of 1.td., controlling a large number of Lithuania, another member, cargo boats, and he said in the nothing was done. Disarmadebate following the statement by ment conferences and talks on reparations failed consistently until they were render-"convoy system: "I am told that in ed obsolete by the old lawless! method of unilateral actiontake it or leave it. By the! time Japan invaded Man- all," churia and precipitated the new world war which has now spread to a large proportion of mankind, the impotence of the League was already an old

task of engaging the raider. Shot of Japan, Germany, and, later, The formal condemnation of blems of war-time conditions. Italy, the organization began, Japan and the appeal to infor a time, to have a different dividual member states to do complexion. No longer ham- what they could, in their in-There was a running fight for pered by the presence of its dependent capacities, to aid avowed enemies around the China, created a legal basis Council table (Italian de- for the considerable aid relegates declared repeatedly ceived by this country from that they attended not to the Soviet Union and the help the League but to show varying degrees of assistance it up) its composition began from Britain and, indirectly, really to correspond to that the non-member part of the world's countries States. which was really interested in destroyers were quick to respond. the preservation of peace and year, the prestige and effec-Then the fate of the submarine the curbing of the rampant; tiveness of the League had international robberies taking relapsed again to the point After a similar engagement the place in the East and the West; where it was hard to see what -the small states whose exis- further service its machinery pending conflict of the titans peace. Appeals from China When the captains of the ships and the strong "peaceful" were rejected out of hand. nations which, between them, The fate of Austria and Czepossessed the power to really choslovakia failed to revitalise arrest the spread of war. This it. The Peace Front against, was the League's "great op- Nazi aggression never maportunity, the moment when terialised; either under the the hopes which had been re- aegis of the League or outposed in it by the world's side it. peoples seemed really and concretely to be capable of fulfilment.

tions upon Italy, while it did and meaning, a sad shade of not have the desired effect, lost opportunities. In the was the high point of the great crisis through which the existence of the League as the world is passing, each State embodiment of the desire of will, of course, follow its own men of good will for peace. interests, whether they League machinery appeared speculative ones of a country to acquire power, the forces like Italy, which, being, it is conspiring to wreck it grew suddenly discovered, not quite Spain, the body had nothing appear on the rostrum in a to contribute except the blare of demagogy. Considercynical farce of non-interven- ing the unfortunate history of tion. The outbreak of the the Geneva institution and Sino-Japanese war gave fur- the fact that it has operated ther illustrations of its endless only on the sufferance of the The other members are Sir John | capacity for trimming on powerful national units which

CORRESPONDENCE

"POUND DAY" [To the Editor, The Hongkong Daily Press]

Sir,-Would you grant me space in your valuable paper to thank every one who helped to make the Pound Day such a great success The interest that was shown, the gifts, and the beautiful spirit in which they were given, were truly an evidence of the public appreciation of the work, that is being carried on at 2. Embankment Road; and has inspired us to make "Pound Day" an 'annual event; hoping that the Chinese Community will also co-operate in the future, as the Home is entirely for the welfare of Chinese women and children.

I especially desire to thank the organisers of the Pound Day, Mrs. Costeloe, Mrs. Yale and Mrs. Rushworth-Ward, and Major Manners of the Star Ferry Company, The Helena May Institute, The Women's Auxiliary, S.P.C. Old City Hall, and the Press for their kind co-opera-

Also Mrs. Purves, 275, The Peak, who gave a Tennis Tournament the same day, which resulted in a cheque for \$100, being gratefully recived at the Home.

To every donor and well wisher we desire to express our gratitude DOROTHY BRAZIER, DORIS G. LEMMON. O.I.C.

# HIS TOUR

Mr. Eden and the Dominion Ministers arrived in London recently, and were met at the station by the Duke of Devonshire, Under-Secretary

"Our visit," said Mr. Eden. "has been an impressive and inspiring experience. On the British Front we found everyone working hard and in good heart, despite the weather conditions. It is the same

"On the French Front we al greatly valued the opportunity of seeing the unmatched French army and the superb defences which the French nation has created for its own defence and ours.

"We have special reason to be grateful for the untiring vigilance of the French army, whose calm confidence is an inspiration for

Mr. Eden, formerly an officer in King's Royal Rifle Corps. served in France in the last war .-Daily Telegraph.

WITH THE WITHDRAWAL spelled the doom of Spain.

BY THE MIDDLE of this

TODAY, awakened unceremoniously from its slumbers, the rump League appears on THE IMPOSITION of sanc- the scene shorn of prestige To the tragedy of out, seems to be ready to reformula than that which course, be expected.

## SCIENCE LEFT OUT OF WAR?

## Services Not Being Used

EDITORIAL

No lead is being taken for using science for national purposes, declared Professor J. D. Bernai discussing, at the annual council meeting in London of the Association of Scientific Workers, the question of a proposed Ministry of Science. He argued that the organisation of science had very largely broken down.

"We have the case of our own president, who has not been used by the Government, and of many experts who have not been called on at all," he said.

The situation as it affected dangerous, Scientific knowledge was not being used to the best advantage in connection with problems of health and food supplies.

"The scientists's solution will not be accepted except in the greatest and most dangerous emergencies,' he concluded.

#### "NO JOB AT ALL"

The president (Professor F. G. Donnan) declared: "I have no job! at all. I am regarded as one who may have done something in last war, but not now. Perhaps in the next war I shall be all right, but I am not very busy now."

On an amendment from the executive it was decided that the association should in the present circumstances abandon its plans for the Ministry

It was agreed, however, that the executive should take the initative in pressing for the establishment of a national council independent of Government administration and consisting of representative scien tific and technical personnel with the object of achieving the efficient organisation and adequate use of the scientific resources, of the country.

Regarding war-time condition: with extra work and no overtime pay. Professor Holman said: "The general attitude seems to be that scientists are people who expect lower salaires than those in comparable positions in other spheres.

After other speakers had said that industrial scientists were suffering financially it was decided to call conferences in London and other centres to deal with pro-

#### BRONZE STATUE OF MARSHAL WU

CHUNGKING, Dec. 11 (Central) -- Chinese circles in Shanghai are planning to erect a bronze statue to perpetuate the memory of the late Marshal Wu Pei-fu; according to a Shanghai report. Funds for this purpose are now being collected by the various newspaper offices.

Tom Mooney, who was pardoned after nearly 30 years in prison for his alleged share in a San Francisco bomb outrage, is seriously ill will be moved to hospital treatment when he is well enough. Soviet soldier set foot on the island

#### REPRESSIVE NAZI DECREES AGAINST IEWS

BERLIN, Dec. 11 (Reuter)-Two further repressive Nazi decrees have been issued.

The first states that Jews will no longer have clothing rationing cards, which means they can neither get new clothes nor materials to repair their old ones. They are also forbidden leather for footwear.

The other decree imposes the death penalty for all involving the use of firearms or other dangerous weapons.

## L.M.S. LEAD THE WAY: FIRMS BACK LONDON

London is getting a little nearer scientists was today deplorable and normality. It is announced that sense of the profound significance and the army that brought about lighting good enough to read by to be restored in LMS suburban

> The L.N.E.R. and Great Western will make a similar announcement very shortly. and the Southern Railway is also working out a scheme

London Transport has also experimented, and is now awaiting sanction from the Ministry Transport, the Air Ministry and the Home Office to install better lighting on the Underground. buses, trolleybuses and trams

These signs that common sense leavening the spirit of emergency are supported by the experiments which Home Office experts are making to provide street lighting without making London conspicuous from the air.

#### BUSINESS FIRMS BACK

Again London's government shedding its emergency overalls. It is expected that the City's Common Council Emergency Committee will announce that they have scrapped the plan to govern the City for the rest of the war, and have reverted to normal procedure. St. Marylebone has abolished its Emergency Committee, and L.C.C. is now meeting regularly.

Many business firms have come back from the country; London's elementary schools are to reopen; more buses are running; and the big hospitals, which were almost entirely clearedato make wax for war casualties, are resuming their normal work.

Remember, too that shops in (London are now open till 7 p.m., and that 20 West End theatres are open till 11.15 p.m., and half the cinemas in central London till 11 p.m.—Evening Standard."

#### FINNS RIDICULE SOVIET CLAIM

HELSINKI, Dec. 11 (Reuter)— The Soviets have been claiming that when the Soviet troops landed on one of the islands in the Gulf of Finland, the inhabitants greeted them with open arms.

Finnish circles in Helsinki smile at this report, pointing out that "the inhabitants" on this particular island consist of 'four "coastguards and a lighthouse-keeper.

The island was bombed and in a Pittsburgh, U.S.A., hotel. He shelled, but the five men escaped for to the mainland before a single

## REFUGEES PRODUCE IN SHENSI INDUSTRIAL CO-OPERATIVES

Refugees from east of the Yellow River and from the Yangtze Valley are being provided for in the southern half of Shensi Province, it is learned from the Hongkong Promotion Committee of the Chinese Industrial Co-operatives.

Set up in small industrial co-operative units over 3,000 refugees are producing close to the front-line areas. Right in Slan; the often-bombed making is filling a rush order that

ancient capital of China, are some call for 20,000 lbs. of sterilized shops. The three largest are in the surrounding hospitals." working on a 400,000 woollen, blanket order recently given to the Chinese Industrial Co-operatives, while the others turn out clothing, bandages, shoes, and printed matter.

#### WOMEN REFUGEES

tives is made up entirely of wo- nurses. men refugees who have come from Mukden, 1,000 miles to the north- borne by groups of co-operatives east. They are working on double after the members vote in their shifts to finish an order for 20,000 weekly meetings to support such of of leg wrappings.

nine of these worker-managed cotton and gauze urgently needed SOCIAL IMPROVEMENT Along with the organisation of these refugees for work have come

ideas of social improvement in nursery schools for their children. common kitchens that save both time and fuel and public health One of the tailoring co-opera- lectures by visiting doctors and

All these community costs are the group is directed for the wel-The co-operative for bandage- fare of all the members

#### COMPLETE MANIFESTO OF SIXTH PLENARY SESSION, KUOMINTANG

#### SECOND PERIOD OF RESISTANCE SEES LAYING OF FOUNDATION FOR VICTORY

Reaffirming that the two great tasks facing the Chinese people, Reconstruction and Resistance, are of equal importance, the Sixth Plenary Session of the Central Executive Committee of the Kuomintang issued a stirring manifesto, when it adjourned in Chungaing on Monday afternoon, November 20. The statement not merely outlines the basic principles for carrying out the dual. work, but gives cogent reasons why not only the people of China,. but those of the rest of the world should seek security and wellbeing. The first instalment of the manifesto follows:

For the sixth time we have sat maze of his difficulties. feeling and morale prevailing there in the war areas, and behind the enemy lines.

officers and men at the front and victory stands firmer than ever the unyielding exertions of the before. the warmest assurances of our re- for the world at large. gard. To bur fellow-countrymen abroad who have given their wealth or their services to the national cause we express our deep respect and approbation.

#### AID TO DISTRESSED

To the distressed wherever they be especially to the women, the children and the aged, the nation owes succor and sustenance at any cost. The families of men serving in the armies of Resistance Government measures whereby it nation stands fully rehabilitated thus stimulate them to feats of that courage which is found among men who feel they are united by fellowship in the face of a common

## the beginning of

second period of Resistance enemy has lost himself more the end of one road, irretrievably than ever in the

in plenary session, and since we traitors and puppets in his employ assembled on the anniversary of have meanwhile been thrusting Dr. Sun's birth we have heard re- themselves and their conspiracies: ports on the state of party, mill- further into the light. All save tary and political affairs and ac- them among our fellow-countrycounts of what investigation parties men have however, asserted with sent to the front have observed increased vigor their unshakable and experienced of the popular spirit of integrity and endurance.

#### ARMY, PEOPLE CO-OPERATE

It was in great part progress in The session has to record its co-operation between the people of the progress that has been made the recent victories on the battleand the victories that have been fields of Shansi, Hupeh, Kiangsi, won during the past ten months, and Hunan. The edge has definitely All that has been achieved is to been taken off the enemy's strikbe attributed to the bravery of ing power and the foundation of

people in the war areas; while the Generalissimo Chiang described unsparing efforts in the service of to us in his inaugural address the their country put forth by those reasons for the enemy's growing in positions of responsibility in impotence; and he pointed out in the rear, among whom technical its full proportions the duty inexperts have shown themselves cumbent upon us of seeking a second to none, and by public national salvation that will prove servants and social workers gen- both our own and that of others. erally, deserve no less recognition He reiterated the irrefragable confor the immense contribution they sistency of our national policy. He have made to the prosecution of told us what the outbreak of war the war and advance of recon- in Europe would require of us in struction. We reverently salute the the mind and in action. He gave memory of all those officers and us still clearer insight into the men who have died in the fulfil- fact that our victory or defeat will ment of their duty; and to those involve the alternatives of security now facing the enemy we offer and peril, well-being or misery,

## FOUNDATIONS OF VICTORY

During the period of our deliberations we have reflected in all earnestness upon the future of national affairs, and our conclusion is that the military foundation for victory has been well and truly laid. What is now required of every single fellow-countryman is active participation in the faith the Tsungli (Dr. Sun Yat-sen) must also be cared for effectively gave us in his testament. Let our and thoroughly. This session has "whole weight be thrown into the therefore resolved to recommend mighty task of Resisance in order to the particular attention of the that a day may come when the may enhance the people's sense of the Three Principles are realized. its benevolence towards them and and the people are advancing into that future which their immense responsibility to mankind demands they shall tread. What we have called Victory and Reconstruction have by now committed us not only to an irrevocable decision but also to an inalienable personal the obligation. They are two ideals. the the attainment of which lies a " (TO BE CONTINUED)

#### WANG CHING-WEI'S CHUNGKING ACTIVE NEW "MILITARY" Continued from Page 1 ACADEMY"!

SHANGHAI, Dec. 11 (Reuter) -The Hungiao Sanitarium, on Hungjao Road, which has been lying empty for over two years flying the Italian Flag, has been taken over by the Japanese Army.

The purpose for which the place is to be used has not been announced, but it is believed in some circles that it will be used as barracks for the Tsiao (Japanese sponsored Puppet) Police or ever for Wang Ching-wei's new "Miltary Academy."

#### INCOME TAX IN CHUNGKING

CHUNGKING, Dec. 11 (Central) -The total amount of Income Tax collected in Chungking is expected to pass the \$5,000,000 mark by according to estimates.

000 in 1936.

which was to begin as from Jan-, back-it's worth trying, anyhow! ly is expected to reach \$1,000,000. writer noted.

## aidn't they sound the sirens for Tokyo. He commented that he

the air raid on the Forth? only time they take cover is on a a museum" after visiting Chunge flag day."

in Chungking would ruin striped trousers but the dampness has mot prevented a pretty hearty crop of growing and ambitious people from overcoming seemingly impossible tasks.

"People who have been living under severe Japanese cencorship. have absolutely no idea of the attempted development and energy of West China and the Free China areas. It is amazing. I gather the power to resist and reorganise is 90 per cent better today than a year ago. Take the other side of the mirror and the Japanese are about 50 per cent, off in productive capacity and offensive spirit.

#### WORTH TRYING

"The story which appeals to the the end of this year. The amount American public is the magnificent from January to the end of No- undertaking of hardling children. vember already reached \$4,800,000, orphans, refugees, reorganising hospital and medical units, industrial It is interesting to recall that co-operatives; establishing and rethe Income Tax estimate for the uniting educational units—all these whole country was put at \$5,000 - under hardships-yet everyone seems wholeheartedly behind the Levy of the Excess Profit Tax, task. The answer always comes-

uary this year, has been postpon- "One thing I learned on this ed to January next year. The trip wang Ching-wei has no suptotal amount to be collected year porters for his movement," the

After a few days here Mr. Young COCKNEY COMMENT will sail for Shanghai to meet his Overheard in the Strand: "Why family who are arriving there from had "written enough material for "Oh. Scotsmen don't care. The a book and had enough pictures for

king and Kunming

#### SOVIET ATTACK INTENSIFIED FINNS FINLAND'S "WASP WAIST," READY TO CHECK

## Heavy Fighting Going On In Karelian Sector

RUSSIAN ADVANCE

HELSINKI, Dec. 11 (Reuter)-The Finns are continuing to hold their own at all points, judging from the latest re-

Intensified Russian attacks are taking place at Sousussalmi, the narrowest part of Finland, often known as the country's "Wasp Waist," evidently with a view to driving through to the Gulf of Bothnia and splitting the country in two.

The Finns have taken all precautions against the Soviet advance in this sector.

LONDON, Dec. 11 (Reuter)

-People in the Arctic region

of Norway and Finland report

hearing explosions from Pet-

artillery from an area south

of that port. This bears out

a.m. and again two hours

Now Admitted

Disastrous losses were inflict-

ed on the Russians by the Fin-

nish Air Force, rejuvenated by

the arrival not Italian planes

(and, it is believed, Italian

pilots) when a column of tanks

and armoured cars was prac-

tivally destroyed, forestalling an

attack on another part of the

CLAIMS CONTRADICTED

The Soviet Air Force has been

active with the improving weather

and the important Finnish fort of

Hangoe was heavily bombed on two

Karellan Isthmus, with VIborg

DETERMINED ATTACKS

up with the Red contingents in the

The Finns estimate that the total

Russian casualties in the Petsamo

air have been resumed on the

VIOLENT FIGHTING

Another communique states that

repulsed. There is violent fighting

at several points on the eastern

frontier, with the exception of the

the islands before Koivisto.

Soviet aircraft bombed forts on

The Finnish Air Force bombed

marching enemy columns and with

the assistance of field artiflery des-

troyed a column of tanks and

MOSCOW CLAIMS

of Ukhta, and the towns of Bobo-

SOVIET COMMUNIQUE

The Russians also claim to have

there has been heavy fighting

south-west of Petsamo.

A Moscow communique

HELSINKI, Dec. 11 (Reuter)-

Mannerheim Line.

occasions yesterday.

the principal objective. .

region exceed 25,000.

Petsamo region.

armoured cars.

## Finns Fight Back Strongly

#### FRIMSY UNIFORMS OF RUSSIANS

later and also confirms the HELSINKI, Dec. 11 (Reuter) Finnish claims that they are --The Finns are fighting back still holding Petsamo, which strongly in the important they recaptured a week ago. Royaniemi sector, in northern Finland, against a strong reports from that district this morning...

The Finns have taken Russian prisoners, many with poor equipment and only with the frimslest uniforms to withstand the lay cold which is now below zero.

#### STANDING FIRM

COPENHAGEN, Dec. 11 (Reuter) -The correspondent of the National Tidende at the Finnish frontier Russian attacks were repulsed. states there was headway in the fighting taking place in the Arctic twilight near Petsamo with powerful searchlights flooding the battlefield. He says the Finns are stand-

#### STUDENTS DEMONSTRATE

BUCHAREST, Dec. 11 (Reuter)-Fifteen hundred participated in the latest students' demonstration outside the Finnish Legation as a mark of sympathy to Finland.

#### LITTLE DAMAGE

Special to the H.K. Daily Press OSLO, Dec. 11 (Havas)-It is reported that Soviet planes heavily bombed the Finnish village of Haukilampi near the Norwegian border. However, most of the bombs felt in the neighbouring woods doing little damage.

The total Soviet losses during the two attacks against Petsamo Salmijaervi yesterday are estimated at nearly 500 killed and 200 prisoners while the Finnish

losses were comparatively light. The morale of the Finnish troops is excellent and the Finns are enjoying a marked advantage

#### being splendid skiers and used to Istimus the rigours of the Arctic winter. HITLER'S VAIN ATTEMPT

Special to the H.K. Daily Press LONDON, Dec. 11 (Havas)—The Daily Herald's Helsinki correspondent learns that Hitler vainly at | Arctic battle-front. tempted to stop Soviet military operations in Finland.

He added that Herr Graf von Behulenburg, German Ambassador in Moscow, brought Hitler's proposals to M. Molotov, whom strongly urged to start peace negotiations with Finland, but met with a categorical refusal.

## B.E.F. NOW FACING THE **NAZIS**

#### NO CASUALTIES YET REPORTED

LONDON, Dec. 11 (Reuter) Karelfan Isthmus. -Reuter's special correspondent with the B.E.F. states that for the first time since the war began British troops are face to face with the German forces. A portion of the B.E.F. is now under the French Command occupying Petsamo. This represents an ad- correspondents have largely dis- confirmed in Rome. a portion of the Maginot Line

outside the British Zone. three or four days. There has been some patrol activity and occasional mu- pierced the Mannerheim Line, in laying waste the country before sunk after an explosion caused sible for the shooting of customs unrestrained, force would again houses, hoping that they will be tual shelling on this part of the Karelian Isthmus. the front, but there were no British casualties.

#### AIR BATTLE OFF N.E. COAST

LONDON, Dec. 11 (Reuter)-Machine-gun fire was heard in the air off the North-East coast yesterday afternoon. Some time earlier two planes, believed to be German, were seen flying high in the vicinity. The challenge of these machines by R.A.F. fighters apparently explains the firing.

GERMAN PLANES STOCKHOLM, Dec. 11 (Reuter)-It is reported here that German planes have been carrying out reconnaissance flights in the Baltic.

## "Fight For Independence And Honour"

#### samo and the loud roar of FINNS' APPEAL THE WORLD

HELSINKI, DEC. 11 (REUTER)the reports that Petsamo was AN "APPEAL TO ALL raided by Soviet planes at 11 NATIONS OF THE WORLD NOT TO LET FINLAND FIGHT ALONE. WAS ISSUED, BY THE "FINNISH PARLIAMENT, WHICH MET YES-TERDAY.

THE APPEAL DECLARES: "THE FINNISH PEOPLE ARE FIGHTING Russian attack, according to Red Army's Advance for THEIR INDEPENDENCE, LIBERTY AND HONOUR. WE ARE DEFENDING OUR RELIGION. HOMES AND ALL THAT CIVILIS-ED PEOPLE CONSIDER SACRED. HELSINKI, Dec. 11 (Reuter)-An

official communique, issued at mid-"So far we have been fighting night, admits that the Red Army alone against an enemy which inhas made further advances, after vades our territory, although in severe fighting in the Lake Ladoga actual fact it is a question of deand Isthmus Sector. 'Ground was fending everything humanity holds given, at several points, says the most precious.

communique, though most of the "We have proved our will to do all we can in this fight. Our position as the advance-post of wesactive assistance from all civilised nations."

#### NATIONS REACT.

LONDON, Dec. 11 (Reuter)-Retion to Soviet aggression against Finland.

In Sweden, the chief of the Gen-Moscow's continued claims to eral Staff, Gen. Terno, has been have smashed through the Man- appointed acting C.-in-C. of nerheim Line are again contradict- swedish Forces, a step only taken on the Western Front. in time of peril.

> He said: "In the present time. the defence of freedom and the right of self-determination of the Fatherland puts everything else in the background." "

Nearly 250,000 men are now mass In Norway, a section of the for a renewed offensive in the civilian population, mostly women and children, are moving south from the northern regions.

In Belgium, students of Liege miles. Determined attacks are also University marched through the taking place along the front north city carrying banners declaring of Lake Ladoga, the aim being to against Soviet aggression and putfiank the Finnish defences in Asiatic barbarity. the Karelian Isthmus and to link

In the United States, a large American manufacturing concern turned down a Soviet order worth thousands of sterling for machinery.

#### CREDIT FOR FINLAND

Violent attacks by land, sea and WASHINGTON, Dec. 11 (Reuter) -The Reconstruction Finance Corporation has announced the granting of \$10,000,000 credit to Finland for the purchase of agricultural surpluses and other civilian sunthe continued enemy attacks in the region of the Taipale River were

Similar credits to Norway, are under consideration.

in the area, but the Finns say that the Soviet attacks have been repulsed with a heavy loss of tanks, armoured cars and artiflery.

#### FINNISH CLAIMS

Finnish reports states that three Soviet planes have been Brought down and that Finnish planes advances of between three and four miles in every warzone and bombed Soviet troops. The Soviet Naval Base at Kronstadt was also that the Soviets have occupied the town of Kuolojarvi, in the direction

The Military Law in Finland now shino and Kirkamuolaa in the applies to civilians while an £8.-500 000 loan has been authorised.

SCORCHED EARTH The artillery fire is thought to indicate fighting near the nickel- Uninformative bulletins from the and Italy are delivering arms to mines of the city, thirty-miles Red Army during the past two Finland, but does not comment on days do not indicate much this. A Soviet communique cirims progress in the Finnish campaign, that the Soviet troops on Satur- while the graphic and possibly ever, casts doubt on the truth of chairman of the branch. day were thirty-miles south of too revealing, reports from war the report, which, nevertheless is

vance of only ten miles in the past appeared from the Soylet news-

## WESTERN FRONT

## French Claim Victory

#### POST ABANDONED & RE - OCCUPIED

PARIS, Dec. 11 (Reuter)-The French claim a victory in an intensive miniature battle which raged throughout twenty-four hours for possession of a small, but highly important, French outpost in the wooded Saarguemines area,

#### ARTILLERY BARRAGE

The Germans opened with terrific artillery barrage, shelling the post with heavy stuff and the French troops gave way slowly to the German forces following up the barrage.

The German occupation of the post lasted roughly four hours. French artillery for miles round concentrated on the post, compelling the Germans to abandon the position, which French infantry later re-occupied.

PATROL ACTIVITY Increased patrol activity noted in the Moselle, Saar River and Vosges sectors and there have our sharp skirmishes in

## Not Quiet On The Western Front

#### tern civilisation, entitles us expect WAR COMMUNIQUES EXPLAINED

When an official communique have been dislodged from their ports from different parts of the states that there is nothing positions. The Chinese are now world indicate the growing reac- important to report it does making a flanking movement to not mean that there is no bottle up the enemy in Machiafighting, declared M. Charles miao. Morice, writing in the Petit Parisien, in regard to fighting

Fighting is different from the last time, but it is still fighting. Daily, from one end of the battle front to the other, some 40 units 20 on either side, totalling between 1.600 to 2.000 men each, are in

Fighting occurs in unoccupied territory between the two advance lines of defence which in "some places are separated by four to five

Both sides fight with the aid of machine-guns, hand-grenades and artiflery.

on open ground which is enclosed by small posts occupied during the day and is almost always evacuat-M. Morice concludes that often it

The test of strength takes place

ed in the night-time. is ferocious fighting.

NOTHING IMPORTANT PARIS, Dec. 11 (Reuter) -Today's war communique says that there is nothing important to report.

#### SUPPLY NAZIS DENY $\mathbf{OF}$ TO FINLAND

## Moscow Also Casts Doubts On Report

LONDON, Dec. 11 (Reuter)-An emphatic denial that Germany ever delivered war materials Finland was broadcast by the Official German Wireless.

these allegations were only destin- yesterday afternoon. ed to disturb German-Russian re-

NO COMMENT MOSCOW, Dec. 11 (Reuter)-The official newspaper Pravda MOSCOW, Dec. 11 (Reuter) prints the report that Germany

The heading to the article, how- | Yunnan, was elected : honorary

STOCKHOLM. Dec. 11 (Reuter)-It is stated that the Finns are The Swedish steamer Vindor has that a man, believed to be respon- once aggression was allowed to go ed the area in search of possible. retreating, removing their cattle presumably by a mine. The crew officials, was shot after barricad- become the decisive factor in all able to make the cent of houses There is no question that and destroying food and firing the of twenty-one were rescued by a lng himself in a stable, says Reu- international relations. But their cheaper than in the foreign areas. Norwegian vessel.

## ALLSOPP'S BEER

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## CHINA WAR NEWS

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points were set on fire and burned

At Sunmuchang, flerce fighting lasted for more than three hours before the Chinese withdrew. COUNTER ATTACK.

LOYANG, Dec. 11 (Central)-Chinese forces are making steady progress in their general counteroffensive in the Chungtiao Mountain areas, in South Shansi.

Bitter combats are still raging in the Machiamiao Sector, northeast of Hsiansien where about 3,000 Japanese are stubbornly holding out.

Some 300 Japanese at Tsing-PARIS, Dec. 11 (Reuter) - shantsun, east of Machiamiao,

On the Hsiahsien sector, over 1,000 Japanese are being surrounded in the hilly regions between Hanchialing and Taling.

The Japanese have suffered heavy casualties in the engagements. Col. Morito, who was commanding the enemy troops, is reported to have been fatally wounded and subsequently succumbed.

CHINESE SIEGE FANCHENG Dec. 11 (Central)-Chinese forces have tightened their siege on Chuantsiao. East Anhwei and Wanklang, Central Ancity. Several Japanese attempts to break through the Chinese cordon were frustrated during the week-end.

CHINESE BAID

a daring night attack, Chinese ment of all kinds of international events have proved better than units smashed into Kashing, on disputes; representative and de- any argument that the only road the Shanghal-Hangchow Railway, mocratic enough to enlist the to peace leads through the wellin North Chekiang, last week. The loyal support of all the peoples known Four-Point programme of bogus police bureau was wrecked concerned; and equipped for much the movement-fidelity to treaties, and many puppet policemen were more extensive economic and social a League of Nations combining

Sino - Soviet

Cultural

Relations

KUNMING, Dec. 11 (Central)-

The Kunming Branch of the Sino-

Soviet Cultural Relations Institute

At a simple ceremony, with

General Lung Yun, Chairman of

ter from London.

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#### I.P.C.'S BRITISH BETTER WAR - TIME:

CHUNGKING, DEC. 11 (CENTRAL)-THE BRITISH NATIONAL COMMITTEE OF THE INTERNATIONAL PEACE CAMPAIGN, WHICH HAS RECENTLY SENT A MESSAGE TO GENERALISSIMO CHIANG KAI-SHEK, OFFERING CONGRATULATIONS ON THE RECENT CHI-NESE MILITARY VICTORIES, maintains that far more important than righting the wrong of today by compelling the aggressor to accept equitable terms is the establishment of a better international system whereby the recurrence of war is rendered impossible, according to their recent statement of war-time policy just received here by the China Branch of the I. P. C.

this main objective can only be only alternative to surrender." achieved by establishing a collective peace system which is sufficiently strong through its con- recent week has shaken the faith of any potential peace-breakers; in the policy it has advocated." sufficiently just to provide means the League and International Labour Office

ESSENTIAL ELEMENTS necessity modifications strengthening additions, the British group is none the less convinced that all the essential tlements of the Covenant of 1919 are still indispensable.

Regarding the war now proceed ing in Europe, the British I. P. C. while expressing an ardent desir for an end of the war as soon as possible, mentions as two primary conditions the restoration genuine independence to the Polish chwan provincial capital, Generaland Czecho-Slovak peoples, and an issimo Chiang was struck by the The announcer declared that was formally inaugurated here effective guarantee against further

> General Liu Tseng-kwan, veteran "The world war which may re-Yunnan military officer, in the sult is the price that must be paid has appropriated a sum of \$40,000 chair, a set of regulations govern- for the folly of the governments for the shelter of the walls. ing the new branch was adopted, which have abandoned the and a board of 15 executives elect- Covenant of the League of Nations

in recent years." So declares the International Peace Campaign in a statement on European hostilities, which has just been received by the P. C.

China Branch. "The authors of the Covenant foresaw," the statement proceeds, The German News Agency states | "that peace was indivisible; that

In the British I. P. C.'s view, resistance has now become the ONLY ROAD TO PEACE

. "Nothing which has happened in trol of collective power, to restrain the International Peace Campaign

The statement concludes: "On KINHWA, Dec. 11 (Central)—In for peaceful and equitable settle- the contrary, the present tragic services than hitherto rendered by measures of "defence against aggression with machinery for peaceful change, and as a result. of the security and trust thus enof gendered, the progressive reduction and substantial of armament by mutual accord."

#### WAR WAIFS IN CHENGTU

CHENGTU. Dec. 11 (Central)— Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek nas issued a strict order for the care and education of the war waifs in Chengtu.

During his last visit to the Szelarge number of child refugees in the city and their miserable conditions

The National Relief Commission

## NANTAO OPENED

SHANGHAI, Dec. 11 (Reuter)-Almost two years after the occupation by the Japanese of Nantao, a Chinese district bordering the French Concession here, was opened today.

Large numbers of Chinese visitsystem was allowed to collapse and where exhorbitant rates are asked.

## LAMMERTS' AUCTIONS

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions

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## **Dutch Motor** Ship Sunk By Mine

#### BELGIAN VESSEL BREAKS UP

AMSTERDAM, Dec. 11 (Reuter)-The Dutch motor ship Immingham (398 tons) struck a mine off Callantsoog, in North Holland, Her, crew of seven were rescued.

LONDON, Dec. 11 (Reuter)—The Beigian steamer Kabinda (5,000 tons), bound from Pernambuco to Antwerp, grounded off the southeast coast on Dec. 8. She has now broken her back and become a complete wreck.

The crew, numbering forty, with fifty other perons, engaged in chased Inland Lot No. 1828. dumping the cargo in the sea and considered the proposition at 1.30 a.m. the ship broke in found it was impossible to purchase wife of Chan Chung-wah. This haives, but all were saved uninjured.

#### BRITISH EMPIRE UNITY A REAL FACT

LISBON, Dec. 11 (Reuter)—In an interview here, Col. Reitz, South African Minister for Native Affairs, Empire is a real fact.

for strengthening their "ties with Britain and other members of the Commonwealth at a time when imperialist nations were threatening the stability of the world

Respect for the independence of states made the greatness of the British Empire.

## **TUESDAY'S** MENU

#### BREAKFAST

Apple Sauce Cereal Jelly Omelet Coffee

## LUNCHEON

Navy Bean Soup Cucumber Balad Meat Loaf Mushroom Sauce Mashed Potatoes Green Peas Stewed Corn Tea

#### DINNER

Rice Broth Cole Slaw Salad Roast Pork Apple Dumplings: Creamed Cauliflower String Beans Lemon Ple Coffee.

#### ALLEGED FORGED MORTGAGES FORM SUBJECT ACTION IN 0F SUPREME COURT THE

TWO ALLEGED FORGED MORTGAGES FORM THE CORE OF AN ACTION which commenced at the Supreme Court yesterday before the Chief Justice, Sir Atholi Mac-Gregor, wherein Chan Fui-hing, Chan Sikatin and Chan Kwok-nin are seeking a declaration from the Court that the mortgages are forgeries and are null and void, that the defendant, Fung Kai-sun, has no right to the property and an injunction against the defendant from collecting or receiving the rents or acting as mortgagee of the property.

sion as well as rectification in been conserved the previous year the Land Office Register.

Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C., and the Hon. Mr. Leo D'Almada, Jnr., instructed by Mr. C. D'Almada, represent the three joint plaintiffs, 4. while Mr. H. G. Sheldon, K.C., and Mr. M. M. Watson, are for the kong and it was as a result of a forged banknotes, larceny by trick

gages which the plaintiffs, stated discovered the swindle. were forgeries, were alleged to have been made on October 29, 1937 and November 2, 1938, and were purported to be for \$55,000 and \$5,000 counsel, was also a native of Sha respectively.

#### **EQUAL SHARE**

Plaintiffs were owners in equal share of Inland Lot No. 1828 on which two houses had been built No. 300 Des Voeux Road Central property on November 29, 1937; and No. 92 Wing Lok Street. The from one Chan Yam-tong, and at made in Chungking to film former was formerly occupied by the time the mortgages were al-" "Secret Agent of Japan," the Kwong Fook Shing firm, and leged to have been made he was Amleto Vespa's best-seller that the date of purchase, so far as the in the village, being too ill to caused an international senfirst and third plaintiffs were con- walk. He would also say that the sation last year. To be shown Cheng Lok Sang. R157 Ng Ping cerned, was on May 30, 1925. The signature was not his. second plaintiff acquired his share. Referring to the third plaintiff, on November 29, 1937.

a grocer in Mauritius for 40 years. others. He retired in 1929 but prior to that he had visited South China, including Hongkong, on four occasions.

The last visit before his retirement was in 1924 when he stayed for three years in his village, and during that time he occasionally visited Hongkong. Whilst in the Colony he invariably stayed at the Kwong Fook Shing firm, which was then owned by a clansman of his.

In May, 1925, when he was on one of his occasional visits, it was suggested to him that perhaps it would be a good investment if he purmuch money-\$110,000.

#### ORIGINAL OWNER

.However, it was eventually agreed that he should buy the property with the third plaintiff, whose father was the original owner. The property was then held in trust for the third plaintiff and others, and at the time of the purchase he was entitled to a share in the estate.

rents were to be collected by and cess and two others, purported to said that the unity of the British the deeds left with the Kwong be his, written in its place. Fook Shing firm, which had done | As regards the Overseas Bank Poor Box. "I who have not a drop of British so for years for the original owner. mortgage, the third plaintiff would blood in me, declare that the This position remained until 1933 say he was in the country worcloser we are, the better it is for when the firm closed down, and shipping tombs at the time. He the collection of rents as well as would also say that the signature They fully realised the necessity | the deeds were then entrusted to on the other two deeds in dispute Chan Chung-wah, a brother of the was not his. In fact he did not third plaintiff.

the Overseas Bank in May, 1935, June last. which document purported to secure banking facilities for the third plaintiff and which the other plaintiffs were alleged to have guaranteed, the first plaintiff would say that he had no recollection of being in Hongkong that year.

He would also say that there was no reason why he should have pledged his property to guarantee the third plaintiff or any other person. In fact, he did not dream of doing it, and it would be proved beyond all possible doubt that the signature on that mortgage was not his.

#### OCTOBER MORTGAGE

leged to have been made on Octo- he met Chan Chang-wah and ber 29, 1937. Mr. Potter said he asked him for the rent. The lathad a large volume of evidence ter gave him \$100 in National week ending Dec. 2: which would prove beyond doubt currency and promised to give that the first plaintiff was not in him the balance at a later date. 18 cases. Hongkong at that time. The facts Chan Chungawah later disappearwhich he relied on for this were ed that following the outbreak of Witness said he did not mention cutta 2 cases, Hongkong 3 cases. Sinc-Japanese hostilities, a rice the mortgages on that occasion as conservation committee was form- he was keen on getting his rent ed in Sha Kau village, and the first. first plaintiff was busy looking after the subscriptions, having

been appointed treasurer. Referring to the other mortgage witness said that in June he knew said to have been transacted on that Chan Chung-wah had mort-November 2, 1938, Counsel said the gaged the property without his first plaintiff would say that he authority. paid three visits to Hongkong during that year but at the date ther go to the police and say that and was advised to keep quiet till in question he was in Sha Kau you suspected that man had forg- the rent was paid. village because the Japanese forces ed deeds of which you had a had landed in South China.

The plaintiffs also seek an | As there was grave danger of account of all rents and pro- their advancing to that part of fits relating to the property the country where the village was and received by the defendant situated, his committee had decidsince he entered into posses- ed to distribute the rice which had and he was thus busily engaged at the time the mortgage was alleged

Towards the end of May last, Mr. H. C. Macnamara, instructed by the first plaintiff came to Hong- forged banknote, possession communication which he received and conspiracy;

to have been made. Actually, the

#### TOO ILE TO WALK

The second plaintiff, continued Kau village and had been in business in Hongkong, having been for a period of six years until 1933 the manager of the Kwong Fook Shing firm. He purchased a sharenof the

Mr Potter said his father was the The first plaintiff was a native of joriginal owner of the property. Sha Kau Village, Shun Tak Dis- Apart from the two mortgages in trict, and had been in business as dispute, he did in fact sign two

> The first was a mortgage 1926 to his wife, Siu Yiu-teng, for \$35,000, but he would say that actually no money was passed and that, rightly or wrongly, he made that deed because he was afraid that an attempt was going to made to hold him responsible for the debt of a certain firm of which he said he was not concerned.

That mortgage was subsequently plete the film. re-assigned and another put through in May, 1935 for a similar reason. The mortgagee was one He Chu Hoi-chuen, and it was inand teresting to note that she was the the lot by himself as it involved too mortgage was re-assigned a year later without the knowledge of the third plaintiff and before the mortgage to the Overseas Bank was put through,

The signature of the third plaintiff on these two mortgages was genuine, but when these were subsequently examined he said the signature was not his. He that his signature had been It was also arranged that the obliterated by some chemical pro-

know of this swindle until he was With regard to the mortgage to informed by the other plaintiff in

#### EVIDENCE CALLED

Giving evidence, first plaintiff. Chan Ful-hing said that Chan did not remit the full amount.

In July last year, he came to and asked Chan for the rent, as which he found in the bag. the latter had failed to reply to letters sent him. Chan paid \$400 on that occasion.

In January this year, said witness, he came again to the Colony but did not see Chan Chung-wah, who, however, sent him \$250 through his brother.

Witness said that when he came Dealing with the mortgage al- to Hongkong again in June last,

#### CROSS-EXAMINATION

Cross-examined by Mr. Sheldon,

Mr. Sheldon: Why didn't you share?—I had consulted solicitors, 10 a.m. today.

## 20 PERSONS FOR TRIAL

Twenty persons will be arraigned on various charges at the Criminal Sessions, which commences at the Supreme Court on Friday at 9.30 a.m. The accused are:-

Chung Wan-ching, alias Al Chung, charged with manslaugh-

Wong Chau; manslaughter; Au Kamatin and Chan Hing: possession of arms and ammuni-

Po So, Lo Yee, Po Fun and Kan: robbery:

Wai Tin and Ho Hung: armed robbery in dwelling; Wong Wing, So Mau, Leung Sang

village was captured on November and Ma Lai: possession of dangerous drugs. Chong Pak-chung: uttering

Mr. Potter said the "two mort- from the second plaintiff that he Wan Wah, Tang Fuk, Wong Chiu, Lai Yiu and Li Man: breach of deporation order.

## CHINA TO FILM "SECRET AGENT OF JAPAN"

Preparations are being some time next year, the forthcoming all-star cast motion picture will cost \$60,000, which is much more expensive than any other films released thus far by the producer, China Film Factory.

According to plans, the actual filming will be done in Yulin, city in northern Shensi, to give the right atmosphere. It will directed by Mr. James Yuan, whose first picture "Fight to the Last" was shown in London, Paris, Moscow and New York theatres during the early part of the war. Three months will be required to com-

#### FAN - TAN GAME IN THE STREET

Charged with having conducted a fan-tan game in the street in Castle Peak Road, on Saturday afternoon, three men appeared be-Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen at the Kowloon Court yesterday. It was stated in Court there were 10 men involved at the game.

Lei Sam. 33, the first defendant was fined \$50, or three weeks' imprisonment, and the other two defendants, Lei Si-tang, 29, and Lei Yu-kwun, 50, were fined each \$30, or one week's imprisonment. Table money of \$3.39 picked up at the game was ordered placed in the

#### BAG SNATCHER GAOLED

Appearing before Mr. T. J. Houston at the Central Court yesterday charged with snatching a handbag from a woman, an unemployed Lau Man, 26, was sentenced to six months' hard labour and recommended for banishment. The complainant, So Suk-yin

Chung-wah formerly remitted "the was walking along Western Street rent regularly, but last year he when the defendant approached from behind and smatched the bag. Lau was arrested when he Horigkong from Sha Kau village tried to pawn a gold finger ring

#### COLONY HEALTH

Thirty-three cases of tuberulosis, six cases of dysentery, six cases of enteric fever, three cases of diphtheria and one case of cerebro-spinal fever were notified to the Health Department on Dec.

EASTERN PORTS The following is the Health Bulletin of Eastern Ports for the Cholera: Delhi 4 cases, Calcutta

Small-Pox: Delhi 8 cases, Cawnpore 1 case, Bombay 8 cases, Cal-

The Admiralty announces the list casualties in connexion with the torpedoing of the destroyer Jersey on December 7, namely officers missing, believed killed two injured two; ratings, missing i believed killed, eight, injured 10.

The hearing will be resumed at

#### H.K. POLICE RESERVE

Orders by the Hen. Mr. T. H. King, Commissioner of Police. CHINESE COMPANY

Training Course-Part, I. - All recruits who" have not yet passed Part I of Training Course will attend Central Police Station on Friday, Decembebr 15 at 17.30 hours sharp for instruction under-Sub Inspector (R) Chan Chung Tung. Dress-Blue Uniform, Cap with White Cover, Belt with Brace, Whistle & Chain, and Truncheon.

Training Course-Part II.-The

undermentioned members of the

Chinese Company will attend Company Headquarters for qualification and instruction in Part II of Training Course on Tuesday, December 12 at 17.30 hours sharp:-"Constables R29 Lee Ting Shun, R152 Ip Ching, R153 Sung Pak Ching, R154 William Chaun, R155. Lai Kwok Chiu, R156 Cheng Lok Sang, R157 Ng Ping Kwong, R158 Koh Hon Ying, Ri59 Ts'o Kwai Shing, R160 Fung Hon Hung, R161 Kong Sai Lun, R162 Tang Lin Fui and R163 Li Kam Chuen.

Training Course-Part IV .- The following will attend Company Headquarters for Part IV of Training Course (A.R.P.) under Sub Inspector (R) Chan Chung Tung on Monday, and Thursday, December 11 and 14, respectively at 17.30 hours sharp,-

Constables R144 Wu Man Hon. R145 William Ho. R146 Lau Mau. R147 Lung Che Lup, R148 Charles Tam, R149 Tang Kwong Wing. R150 Koh Kwai Sun, R151 Lam Chong Sing, R152 Ip Ching, R153 Sung Pak Ching, R154, William Chaun, R155 Lai Kwok Chiu, R156 Kwong, R158 Koh Hon Ying, and R158 Ts'o Kwai Shing.

Patrol Duty.-Patrol duty will be carried out as ordered. INDIAN COMPANY

Training Course-Part I .- The undermentioned members of the Indian Company will attend Central Police Station on Wednesday, December 13 at 17.15 hours sharp for Squad Drill under Sub Inspector (R) Mehdi Khan:-

Constables R212 B. Singh, R224 Y. Tipe, R231 A. Karim, R255 A. S. Mohammed, R257 S. Khan, R258 A. W. Kader, R267 J. Din, R272 M. Nazir, R276 I. Kripp, R277 M. Afzal, R278 Lal Singh, R287 N. L. Advani, R217 A. Hamid, R218 B. Abbas, R240 Atta Mohammed, R254 A. Haroon, R259 A; Khan, R261 M. Singh, R265 M. Ramzan, R266 Kesar, Ali, R270 S. A. Ismail, R285 M. Ibrahim, R239 M. A. Hamet R212 Mohammed Ali, R274 H. Khan, R281 K., S. Mehal, R291 A. R. Feroz, R299 Niamatullah, R101 Najab Khan, R702 Mohameo Hayat, and R703 J. J. Tellis.

Patrol Duty .- Patrol duty will be carried out as ordered.

FLYING SQUAD Strength.—The following members have been taken on the strength of the Flying Squad, as from "December 6, 1939:-

Constables R333 Lai Yim, R376 Lam Wye Kee, R377 Ng Yeu Chou, R387 Ng Chak Ying, R379 Peter Yeung, R380 Chan Wing Fatt and R381 Chan Hung Plu.

Patrol Duty.-Patrol duty will be carried out as ordered.

EMERGENCY UNIT RESERVE Strength.—The following have been taken on the strength of the Emergency Unit Reserve, as from December 9, 1939:-

Constables R467 A. F. Baptista, R468 A. F. Delgado, R469 F. X. Delgado, R470 F. C. Botelho, R471 J. F. da Silva, R472 L J. Castilho, R473 S. S. L. de Faria, R474 F. J. Medina, R475 F. de Sousa, R476 A R P. Pereira, R477 B. G. Ivanchenko, R478 H. F. Sullivan, and R479 C. A. R. Remedios.

Instruction.-All recruits of the Emergency Unit Reserve will parade at No. 2 Police Station on Friday, December 15 at 17.30 hours sharp for instruction under Inspector (R) W. V. Field.

Leave. — Constable R455 J. D. Castro has been granted sick leave as from date.

Patrol Duty.-Patrol duty will be carried out as ordered, O. EAGER.

D. S. P. (R). Hongkong. Monday, December 11, 1939.

#### WOMAN FINED FOR ASSAULT

A fine of \$20 was imposed on Sin Yu-ha, 38, married woman, when she appeared before Mr. R. A. D. Forrest at the Central Court yesterday on a charge of assaulting her adopted daughter. Insp. H. W. Fraser, of the S. C.

A., told the Court that the girl was a registered ward of the S. C. A. On Friday last she went to his office and complained that she had been beaten by the complainant, because she had been accused of being careless with the washing.

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## Finance and Commerce

## MARKET FOR RUBBER LATEX

The Director of the Hubber Research Scheme, Mr. T. E. H. O'Brien, has drawn the attention of the rubber, industry to the possible development of an export trade in rubber latex.

According to advices from London received by Mr. O'Brien, there is at present an active demand for latex. Recent enquires received at the Rubber Research Institute from India also indicate that an entirely new market for latex is being developed in that country.

India would most logically be sup- distributed in such a way that plied by Ceylon is Mr. O'Brien's there is relatively little interference

Indies are the chief countries diluted with rain is much higher. which at present export latex to (b) For about three months in enter the latex market. She only for shipment is not practicable, has occasional small shipments to (c) The estate units are small, her credit in this trade.

35,000 tons.

but in the first four months of 1939 it is stated, the rate of conprevious peak year, 1937

there are any factors associated with conditions peculiar to Ceylon than 10,000 gallons. which militate against the successful production of latex

THREE DISADVANTAGES In comparison with Malaya, Ceylon is at a disadvantage, states Mr. O'Brien, in three respects

That a demand for latex from (a) The rainfall of Malaya is with tapping. In Ceylon the pro-Malaya and the Netherlands East portion of days on which latex is

Europe and America. Ceylon has the year, namely, February, May never made any serious attempt to and June, the collection of latex For the shipment of large uniform

Between 1928 and 1937 the total consignments it would be necesworld consumption of preserved sary for estates to adopt co-operalatex had increased tenfold, the tive measures for bulking. Alternaconsumption in 1937 being about tively, the establishment of a central latex factory in Colombo In 1938 there was a falling off, would have to be considered. The market requirements are

such that it is difficult to dispose Sterling Notes:sumption was equal to that of the of small or non-uniform parcels of latex, and the difficulty is likely Bar Silver per oz. .......... 23 1/8 The failure of Ceylon producers to increase. But there is a ready to take up the manufacture of market for high quality latex, both Market Report latex raises the question whether normal and concentrated in uniform consignments of not less

EXPIRY OF PATENTS

The commercial production concentrated latex both by creaming and by centrifugation has Continued on Page 10

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•					Buildings	-				afternoon. Sterling
	\$4.65	•••	84.671	35*	H.K. Lands	***	\$33\	W .	\$4.85	The market closed with sellers
,	<b>\$</b> 33	***	<b>\$33</b>	8100	The And Dicharderson	***			100%	
		100	* ***	\$4.30	Shanghai Lands B. H.K. Resition		***	0	84.40	1/3 Cash and 1/2.31/32 April.
	\$100			072	Humphreys	** *** j.	***		87.90	U.S. Dollars Sellers at 24.3/8 Cash, 24.5/16
	11		6	825 ≻O	Cotton Mills				\$254	December, 24,3/16 January and
			***	\$162	S'hai Cottons (6.)	•••	900,	***	\$162	24.1/16 February, buyers at 24.7/16 Cash, 24.3/8 December, 24.1/4
11		•••		848	Zoong Sings (S.) Wing On Textiles (S.)	•••	,		\$42 \$160	probably January and 241/8 Feb-
	\$16.30	\$164		h	Public Utilities	\$1 ,30				ruary. Shanghai Dollars
	<b>≱</b> 16.30 -	H. 4 44 19	•••	88	Tramways Peak Trams (old)			004	\$8	329.
	\$55¥		***	<b>\$4</b> a.	Peak Trams (new)	866	,	*** ****	\$4	Shanghai Market Sterling sellers for Spot were
	\$231	404		201	Y'mati Forries Do. (new)	\$23	***	804	***	quoted at 4.1/2 towards the close.
	\$7.66	*** 6	11.000	#4 <u>₹</u>	China Lights (0) China Lights (New)	87.70 84.70	11.	••••	10.00	Shannitani Washing
	-0511·	. 400	***		China Lights Rts. H.K. Electrics	8511	***		***	Sharehai Exchange Shanghai, Dec. 11 (Reuter).
	8514	·	***	\$18½	Macao Electrice	4011	11. m	44		Official T.T. Rates
, ,	\$11± \$24	***	***	***	Bandakan Lights Telephones (old)	224	### . W	184 1	***	London
	₿8	1946	***	18/3	Telephones (new)	<b>\$8</b>		44.4	18/6 -	Japan 29-1/4
	. 1	10		18/9	Tractions (pref.)			***	***	India 23-1/2 Paris 3.11
Y.::	***		***		Cald., Macg. (Ord.) S.		dl	'		Hongkong 28-1/4
	7.4		***	\$18	Cald., Macg. (Fref.) S. Canton Ices	815 10	**		<b>\$1</b>	Sellers Selling
,	\$15.40			···· ·	Cements Ropes	\$15.40 \$5.25	***	***	***	Opening Closing
	8201		\$20.40	n - 1	Miscellaneous Dairy Farm (Old)	\$20 <u></u>		***		Spot 0/4-31/64 0/4-33/64 Dec 0/4-31/64 0/4-33/64
11	\$10g	5	••• 1		Dairy Farm (New)	\$19° \$630	7			Jan 0/4-29/84 0/4-1/2
	\$6.35 \$14		•••		Ch. E'tainments Constructions (old)	\$1.75				U.S. Dollars Spot \$7-9/32 \$7-3/8
	200			\$71 \$71	Lane Crawfords		9	***	\$8	Dec 7-1/4 7-11/32
et.	- 4	•••	1		Nanyang Tobacco	\$1.75			\$8 \$4	Jan 7-5/32 7-1/4  Market:—Quiet.
	€8.35	•••	•	10	Watsons Ch. G.5% 1926G \$Bds.	* 1		A.	\$8.35	Merchant Rates
,    '	* 4	•11	****	\$100	H.K. Govt. 4% Louns		***	400	100%	Sterling, 0/4-1/2. U.S. Dollars, \$7-5/16.
1	***	***		\$97±	H.K. Govt. 81% Loan H.K. Wing On	# ******	estação estação		97% 841	Silver duty Rate
	401		• • •	181	S'hai Wing On Vibro Piling	•		000	\$10 \$8	The Central Bank of China's
	***		444	14/9	Maramans Inv. (Lon.) Maramans Inv. (H.K.)			11 2		rate on London at 10 a.m. today was 1/2-1/2d.
-	***		•••	31	Wm. Powells		1	***	# T	The Equalisation rate was 22-1/2

Wm. Powells ....

## MONEY AND EXCHANGE

CLOSING QUOTATIONS

	Opina Courtie	•	• • •
11	DECEMBER 11, 1939		1
On	London:-		
10	Telegraphic Transfer. 1/2	7	/8
	Bank Bills, on demand1/2	7	/8
	Credits 4 months' sight 1/3	3 l	/4
On	Shanghai:-		
	On demand 32	0	21
On	Singapore:		
	On demand 52	3	/4
On	Japan:-	-	
	On demand 10	2	3/4
On	Tradia's		
	Telegraphic Transfer. 38	o	1 /9
	and demand	-	1/4
UL	New York:-		
	Bank Bills, on demand 24	L	14
	Credits, 60 days' sight 24	7	/8
On	Batavia:		
	On demand 45	1	/8
arC.	Paris:-		
1.	Bank Bills, on demand 10	90	•
	Credita 4 months' sight 11		
CD	Saigon :		
	On demand It	Ŗ	1/3
Ju	Manila:		
	On demand 48	1	1/2
חכ.	Bangkok:-		
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FROM BOZA BROS.

Bank Buying Rate ... 1/4

On demand ..... 149 1/2

Silver prices were unchanged over the week-end, the quotation's remaining at 23.1/8 for Ready and 23.5/16 for Forward. American Sliver was quoted at 34.3/4 for

The London-New York crossrate was quoted at 402. New York-London was quoted 391.1/4.

Shanghai Market Sterling opened with sellers for Spot at 4.31/64. Later the rate rose to 4.17/32 and at the close sellers were quoted at 4.33/64 for Spot. U.S. Dollars sellers for Spot at 7.9/32 at the opening. Subsequently the rate rose to 7.13/32. At the close sellers were quoted at 7.3/8 for Spot.

	ANDARMON STREET, STREE	1949) U/ Z-1/3
	New York	6-7/8
	Japan	29-1/4
	India	
3	Paris	3.11
	Hongkong	28-1/4
	Sel	lers
	. W Selling	H 10 - 10 - 10 - 10 - 10 - 10 - 10 - 10
	Opening .	Closing
	Spot 0/4-31/64	0/4-33/64
	Dec 0/4-31/84	0/4-33/64
	Jan 0/4-29/64	0/4-1/2
	U.S. Dollar	3
	Spot \$7-9/32	\$7-3/8
	Dec 7-1/4	7-11/32
•	Jan 7-5/32	7-1/4
	Market:-Quiet.	
	Merchant Ra	tes '
	Sterling, 0/4-1/2.	e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e

.The Equalisation rate was 22-1/2

## FINANCE

## H. K. STOCK EXCHANGE

Rates continue to show some improvement and the undertone of the market is steady to firm.

BUYERS H.K. Bank, \$1330. Bank of East Asia, \$71. Canton Ins., \$210. Union Ins., \$390. Douglases, \$71. Docks, \$19.10. Providents, 4.30. H. & S. Hotels, \$4.65. Lands, \$33. Humphreys, \$7. Chinese Estates, \$100. Tramways, \$16.30. Yaumati Ferries, \$231. China Lights (O), \$7.85. Electrics, \$513. Sandakan Lights, \$114. Telephone (O), \$241. Telephone (N), \$8. Cements, \$151. Ropes, \$5.30. Dairy Farms (O), \$20]. Dairy Farms (N), \$191. Watsons, \$8.35. Entertainments, \$6.35. Constructions (O), \$1‡.

**SELLERS** Cariton Ins., \$220. Providents, \$4.45. Tramways, \$161.

HK Bank, \$1340. Providents, \$4.321. Star Ferries, \$67. Flectrics, \$513. Telephone (O), \$241/25.

SALES

#### PRICES SHOOT UP IN N. CHINA

The hardships of the Japanese occupation of 'North China are shown by the following "figures. printed in the "Peking Chronicle,"

Commodity prices in Tientsin continue to soar in spite of the efforts of the authorities to check the upward tendency. The following are latest indices for various articles of daily necessity as compared with the figures of last year:

	Nov. 1938	Oct. 1939
Provisions	108.97	264,49
Clothing, clot	th 142,11	281,46
Metals	264.65	614.98
Building Ma-	5. (i)	
terials	190.08	309,52
Fuel	202.14	301.06
Miscellaneous	175,39	297.93
Average	177.11	233.13
	14	1.

Cements, \$154. Dairy Farms (O), \$201. Dairy Farms (N), \$193. Entertainments, \$61.

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Atoks 18b, Antamoks 16s, Bagulo Gold 151b, Batong Buhay 012s, Benguet Consol. unq., Big Wedge 20s, Coco Groves 164s, Consol Mines 003s, Demonstrations 094s, East T. E. E. E. S. S. E. C. E. E. S. S. E. C. E. E. C. E Mindanao 10]s, I. X. L. 41]b, Ipo Gold 14b, Itogons 284s, Mambulao Consol 013s, Masbates 10s, Mindanao Motherlode 083s, Mine Operations 10s, North Camarines 1154b. Paracale Gumaus 194s, San Mauricio 80s, Surigao Consol. 164s, Suyocs tea 134s. Syndicate Investments 02s. United Paracales 321s.

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\$6,077,738. Most of this was imported direct from British India and Ceylon with smaller quantities OTTAWA, Dec. 1-Imports of coming from China, Japan and into Canada in the first Dutch East Indies. Quantities are eight months of 1939 amounted also imported through the United

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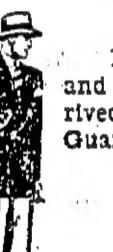


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the terminals "033". "129", "281" "393", "676", "775", "831", and "900", and Telegraph Bonds with the terminals "20", "74", and "83 were drawn and are due for repayment.

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# FOREIGN MARKETS & QUOTATIONS

COMMODITY BROKERS STOCK EXCHANGE BUILDING HONGKONG

## COMMODITY MARKET

(FROM PAYNE & CO.)

SINGAPORE RUBBER	New Dec. 8	York, Dece Dec. 9	mber 9, 1939.
. 1	buyers	buyers	Change
SPOT		38-1/8	Off 1/8
JAN-MARCH	- 4	36-3/4	Up 1/8
APRIL JUNE		34-5/8	Up 1/4
LONDON RUBBER	Dec. 8	Dec. 9	n A
la e e e	buyers	G F S	Change
SPOT		Closed	u II. at
JAN -MARCH	44 0 140	0	46
APRIL-JUNE	10	uni	ď
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The market was firm with interest centering on today's farmers' referendum which is expected to receive the majority Cotton cloth sales for the past two weeks continued to be encouraging.

RUBBER: Shipments are firm and there has been a good demand from the factory. November consumption is estimated by the "Trade at around 52,500 tons.

WHEAT: The firmness of the foreign markets, the cold wave in Argentine, and the failure of the weekly weather forecast to in dicate any relief in the drought sections were all stimulating influences." The potentially tight cash position is also a helpful factor. HIDES: Active demand in domestic leather is reported.

NEW YORK STOCKS: Previous close, 147.86; Today's close 147,93; Change, Up .07.

#### YORK COMMODITY NEW

(By Courtesy of Messrs, Swan, Culbertson & Fritz and

	S, E.	Levy & Company)	ū		H.K. & B'hai Bank (Lun.
	, in , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	-	Dune We death		Reg.)
	-1.	1.00	•		H.K. & S'hai Bank (Col.
		" High Low			Reg.) Chinese Eng. & Mining
	New York Cotton, Mar,	10.75 10.10	10.15 10.28	.13 'up	
	New York Rubber, Mar			.06 up	(bearer)
	Chicago Wheat, May		93-5/8 94-7/8		Pekin Syndicate
2	Chicago Corn, May		14 00 15 00	l up	Shal Elec. Constr. Co.
	New York, Hides, May	15.02 14.85	14.88 15.02	ita up	Shai Waterworks "A"
Ÿ.	Alman Park Common Common Clar	o Onaning"	Closing	Change	Union Insurance
	NEW YORK COTTON Clos			_	Gula Kalumpong Rubber
	December 10.45			.12 up	Allied Ironfounders
	January 10.44	111	10.54/54	.10 up	Asso. & Elec. Industries
	March * 10.15	1	10.28/30	.13 up	Austin Motors, ord.
	May 9,84		9.96/97	.12 up	Cable & Wireless, New
	July 9.46	/47 9.56/57	9.60/60	.14 up	Form, ord.
	July (new contract) 9.68	N 9.77/77	9.79 N	,13 up	BA. Tob. (bearer)
	October ( ,, ) , 8.97		.9,11/11	.14 up	Mercantile Bank
	December ( ., ) unq	uoted	unquoted	17 11	Cammell Laird, ord.
	Spot10.57	N ···	10.69 N	.12 up	Maxican Facto
	Note: December cotton,		-15 / 12 / 39.	4	Mexican Eagle
	Note. December coulding	ton months and			Courtaulds
	NEW YORK RUBBER			n	Distillers Dunlop Rubber
	• •		111111111111		
4)	December		19.75 N	unch.	Gen. Electric (England)
	March   0 18.70	$/72 \cdot 18.70b/80a$	18.76b/80a	.06 up	Guinness (A) Son & Co
	May 18.25	/25 18,32/32	18,30b/35a	.05 up	Hawker Siddeley Airc
	July17,95	/95 18.09/08	18.03 N	.08 up	Bristol Aeroplane
	September 17.83		17.90/90	.07 up	Imperial Chemical Ind.
,	Notes December without	last notice day -	-97 /19 /30 "		Imperial Tobacco
	Note: December rubber,		-21/12/05.	•	Marks & Sp'cer "A" ord.
4	Total sales for the day:		v^*		Rolls Royce
	CHICAGO WHEAT		11.	,	Leyland Motors
		068	978/978	1 up	Tate & Lyle
	December 961/	931 931/94	947/95	1½ up	
	May		921/93	1 up	United Steel
	July 97½/	,	02E/40	-1 -5	Smethwick Drop Forg
	Friday's sales:-32,421,00	0 bus hels.	•		Armstrong Stevens, ord.
	CHICAGO COPN	,		•	Pressed Steel, com.
	CHICAGO COBN		E41 /E42	02 110	Vickers, ord.
	December 531/		541/541	Ol up	Woolworths
	May 55½/		551/557	Ol up	Anglo-Dutch
	July 551/	551 —	551/557	Of up	Rub. Plant. Invest. Trust
	WINNIPEG WHEAT	ч "			Burma Corporation
	447		811/811	11 ·up	Commonwealth Mining
	December 80/8	043,4361	851/851	11 up	Marsman Investments
	May 841/	841 .841/851		11 up	Randfontein Estates
	July 851/	853	861/88/	"	Western Holdings
	NEW YORK HIDES	. 0	***	0	Sub-Nigel
	11 7 7	100 10E	15.02/02	14" ·up	Tanami Gold Mining
	March 14.88	/88" 14.85/85	1	.17 up	Angio-Iranian
	June		unquoted		Burmah
	New York, Official 34-3,		, 3.91-1/4		Shell Trans. & Trad.
	NV/London erges rate 3.91-	41/4 ·	(	V	(hearen)

#### LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

(REUTER'S SERVICE)

London, December 8. The following quotations are the middle prices at the close of the market in London. All quotations are subject to confirmation and no responsibility is assumed for errors in transmission,

	A No. of the second	E.
	War Loan, 31% (Red	023
	Canton-K'loon Rly. 5%	92 <b>}</b> 17
	Chinese 41% Gold Loan	
	1898 (Brit, Issue)	55
	Chinese 5% Gold Bonds,	400
	Chin. 41% Anglo-French	47
	Loan, 1908	50
,	Chinese 5% Crisp Loan,	
	1912	27
	Chinese 5% Reorg. Loan, 1913 (Ldn. Is.)	38
	Chinese 8% Ster. Notes,	50
1	1925 (Vickers)	12
_	Chin. Imperial Rly. 5%	, <u>, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , </u>
7.	Loan Honan Rly, 5%	55
e	Hukuang Rly. 5%, 1911	
	Bukuang Rly. 5%. 1911	
-	(German Issue)	16
e	Lung Tsing & U. Ha! Rly.	14
	5% 1913 S'hai-N'king Rly. 5%	14 20
a	Tientsin-Pukow Riy. 5% (Brit. Stpd.)	
- ·		14
r.	Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5%	14
	(German Stpd.)	14
3,	(Brit. Stpd. Supl. Loan)	14
	Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5%	
	(Ger. Stpd. Supl. Loan)	
11	Jap. 5% Ster. Loan, 1907	
	Jap. 6% Ster. Loan, 1924 Ger. 7% Intl. Loan, 1924	50
	Chartered Bank	8
	H.K. & S'hai Bank (Ldn.	-
	Reg.)	82 <u>1</u>
	H.K. & S'hai Bank (Col.	0.41
e , p	Reg.)	841
p	(bearer)	171
p	Chosen Corporation	6/6
p	Pekin Syndicate	10
P	Shai Elec. Constr. Co.	13 12
e e	Union Insurance	23
p.	Gula Kalumpong Rubber	20/7
p	Allied Ironfounders	•
p	Asso. & Elec. Industries Austin Motors, ord.	39/4 <u>1</u> 17/6
p 5	Cable & Wireless, New	2170
p	Form, ord	
p	BA. Tob. (bearer)	
	Mercantile Bank	11 <b>8</b> 6/4
P	Mexican Eagle	6/4
	Courtsules	34/10
1	Distillers	
	Gen. Electric (England)	,
ı. P	Guinness (A) Son & Co	75/3 81
p	Hawker Siddeley Airc	16/6
P	Bristol Aeroplane	15/4
P	Imperial Chemical Ind.	29/9
	Imperial Tobacco	116/3 51/6
1	Rolls Royce	96/3
	Leyland Motors	88/41
p	Tate & Lyle	57/4
p	Turner & Newall United Steel	
P	Smethwick Drop Forg	21/4 13/6 •
	Armstrong Stevens, ord.	6/6
	Pressed Steel, com	14/11
Q	Vickers, ord.	16/6
p	Woolworths Anglo-Dutch	60/9 27
p	Rub. Plant. Invest. Trust	
é	Burma Corporation	11
p	Commonwealth Mining	
ָם ס	Marsman Investments Randfontein Estates	,
P	Western Holdings	38/1½ 11
	Sub-Nigel	203/9
p	Tanami Gold Mining	3d
-	Anglo-Iranian	52/6

١		4.	DECEMBER 10, 1939
١	PROOFE TA	st Sale	STOCKS V Last Sale
0	1	Dec: 9	Dec. 9
	Adams Express		Lakey Foundry & Mac. 4* Lubbey-Owens-Ford Glass 49
đ	Alleghany Steel Co	221 91	Lockheed Aircraft 323
r	Allied Stores	394	Loew's Inc
	Aluminium Ltd	101	Mack Truck Inc 29
	Amerada Corp	-	Manhattan Shirt Co — Martin, Glen L
	Amer. Can		McKesson & Robbins, pfd.
٠ ا	American Cyanamid B Amer. & Foreign Power	31# ·	Monsanto Chemical 1041
	Ameri & Foreign \$7 pi	26* "	Montgomery Ward
	American Gas & Elec	371	National Aviation 121*
	Amer. Locomotive	221*	Nat. Distillers 24
	Amer. Radiator	25	National Gypsum
,	Amer. Rolling Mill	_	National Lead 201
	Amer, S'ting and R'ing Co.	514	Nat. Power & Light 81
	Amer, Sugar Refining	201*	National Steel Corp. 711 Nat. Supply Corpn. 91
i	Amer. Tel. & Tel.	- 1)	New York Central 185
	Amer. Waterworks		Niagara Hudson Power 61
	Anaconda Copper	304	N. American Aviation 251
	Atchison, T. & S. Fe.		North American Co 221
	Auburn Motors		Northern Pacific
	Baltimore & Ohio	<b>U</b> ,	Pacific Gas & Elec 322
	Barnsdall Oil	121	Pacific Lighting 478
	Bendix Aviation	30	Packard Motors
	Bethlehem Steel	-	Paramount Pictures 71
Ì	Boeing Airplane Co		Pennsylvania R.R. 221 Phelps-Dodge
	Borg-Warner		Phillips Petroleum 403
	Biggs M'facturing	221	Pittsburg Coke & Iron 9
	Brooklyn-Mhattan Trans		Public Service of N.J 397
	Brooklyn-Manhattan \$8 Canadian Pacific R'way	-	Pullman Inc. 333 Pure Oil 81
	Case J. I.		Radio Corpn. of Am 51
47	Célanese		Reading Company, Com: 161*
	Chesapeake & Ohlo	411	Reading Company, 1st pid 25* Remington Arms Co., Inc. 44*
	Chrysler Corpn		Republic Aviation Corp 57
	Colts Patent Fire-Arms	_	Republic Steel 231
٠,	Columbia Gas & El		Revere Cop. & Brass Inc. 15
	Columbia 6% "A" pf		Reynold Tobac. "B" 381
	Commercial Credit Co Com. & Southern (ord)	451 11	Richfield Oil
	Colmonwealth \$6 cum. pfd.	**	Schenley Distillers
n'	Consolidated Edison	30 <del>1</del>	Schenley Distillers \$51 pfd. —
*	Consolidated Oil	71	Sears Roebuck 801 121
"	Continental Can	43 221	Socony-Vacuura Oil
	Corn Products		Southern Pacific
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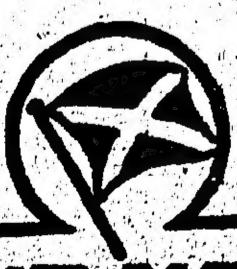
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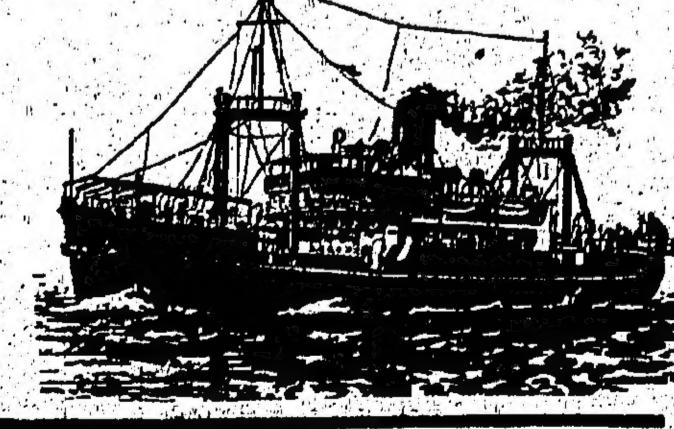
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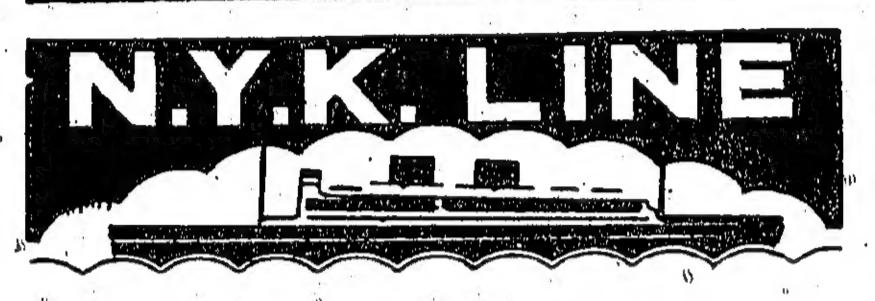
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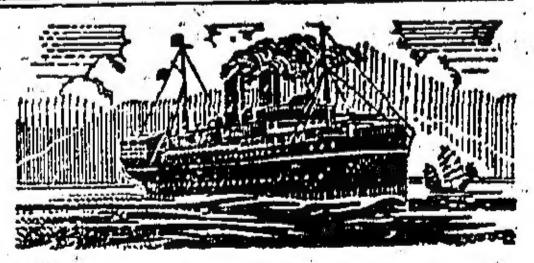
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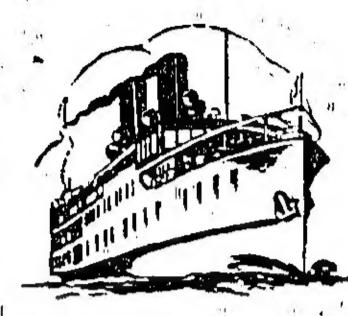
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## BRITAIN'S FIGHT AGAINST NAZI RAIDERS AND MINES: REVIEW OF WAR AT SEA

'LONDON, Dec. 11 (Reuter)-Presenting his fortnightly review of the war at sea, the B.B.C. Naval Observer dealt with raiders and mines.

When Germany built her three pocket-battleships, she designed them as commerce-raiders which could beat off a cruiser and run away from a battleship. They can steam 20,000 miles without refuelling-almost right round the

Discussing the difficulties of finding these ships, he in asked his listeners how many handing in to a dockyard. ships they actually saw on, say, a trip from Britain to New Zealand? Very few, he suggested.

ALMOST BLIND

A ship at sea is almost blind, he went on. On a clear day, the horizon is only ten miles away, so that a ship could see for little Nazis had a certain amount of more than 200 miles around. At success with their magnetic mines. night visibility was only a couple Yet the blockade was more frightof miles for raiders travel without ful than effective. British ports

is rather like a man wandering ened and reorganised to meet the on the other side of the horizon to be invisible.

In the North Atlantic, where the Rawalpindi met her doom, the position was even worse. Gales were almost of daily occurrence, there were only about 31 hours' daylight and for a good measure there were fogs, mists, rainstorms and snow-storms.

RAIDERS' RISKS only a mile or so away.

not have it all its own way. It Sea. While it was being launched. must eventually feed its crew and the ship's boat had a hole knockrefuel. It must get supplies and as ed in its side and it was in danger soon as it captures a ship it runs of sinking. The engineer however, the risk of giving away its posi- promptly stuck his foot into the night.

left neutral ports, probably intend- with tallow and grease. For ing to supply the raiders. That twenty-two hours he kept his foot did not matter as now they had in one position, for the lives of been either captured or scuttled, all depended on him. They all Sooner or later too the raiders' got ashore safely. speed and steaming performance would suffer, particularly in tropical waters, where marine growths are prolific.

Machinery too develop defects time, which eventually need

Hunting raiders might take time, but sooner or later they would get caught. The ships of the British and French Navies were after them day and night,

MINES MENACE Turning to mines, the Naval Observer said that at first the were still open and the mine-A ship in those circumstances, sweeping fleet had been strengthin a thick mist on the Yorkshire menace. It would take a little Moors. A ship has only got to be time for the counter-measures to make the seas safe, but at pre- of the piece, the tuneful music, sent, at any rate the menace was

> These mine sweeping boats were | for a successful run. chiefly manned by volunteers and fishermen and, as an instance of the remarkable qualities of these men he told the story of a peaceful fishing trawier which was shelled at close range by a U-Boat. A PLUCKY ACT

held in check

The trawler crew launched their In such weather, one's quarry boat while the shells whizzed al can be invisible, although she is around them. The U-Boat, after seeing the small trawler sink, left Nevertheless, the raider did the crew to their fate in the North hole and the other members of Recently several German ships the crew plastered it into place

"We are still a race of seamen, carrying on a high tradition," concluded the commenta-

#### SOVIET PROTEST TO ALLIES

LONDON, Dec. 11 (Reuter)-The Soviet protest to Britain and France against the blockade of German exports declares that the Allied methods of economic warfare violate international law and reserves the right to claim compensation if state-owned Soviet merchantmen are forced to call at an Allied measures otherwise damage Russia's trade.

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She honoured him in a ballad about the Aspidistra, and concluded with the riotious lines:

He's going to string old Hitler. On the very highest bough. Of the biggest aspidistra. -

She came on the air in the terrific good form we knew of old. She sang without a tremor of uncertainty, as if she had never been ill, and in a hundred moods known her million fans—gay and serious, mocking and boisterous, proud and humble, dreamy and

intimate Gracie started right away by flers as a distress signal. buttonholing her audience in her the numbers.

First she sang "Over the Rainbow." Then she gave an eccentric number in her croaking, joking, squealing, and chortling manner. Next a romantic song trilling along on her well-known high violinlike notes.

She joked with Louis Levy. "gagged" the revue chorus, and said. "Come on everybodyyou've got to help me out of this." It was a variety show of all the Gracies we have ever heard.

At the end of her broadcast she turned to her excited audience and said, "Thank you very much, I'm going to cool off a bit."

And so the best broadcast the B.B.C. have given us-well, it seems for years—came to an end. It was Gracie revived and on top of the world,

## **BADMINTON** LEAGUE

#### EASY WIN FOR KING'S COLLEGE King's College beat Kowloon

Tong in a Badminton League match last night by eight sets to

H. T. Woo and K L. Lui (King's College) beat N. A. E. Mackay and A Chan, 21-8, beat R. E. Lee and F. S. Ko. 21-18, beat B. P. C. Fletcher and A E H. Castro 21-7.

K. H. Lo and T. Lam (King's College) lost to Mackay and Chan 10-21, beat Lee and Ko, 21-13, beat Fletcher and Castro, 23-21. 8. P. Chan and W. C. Hung

(King's College) beat Mackay and Chan 21-15, beat Lee and Ko, 21-14, beat Fletcher and Castro 21-14.

## MUFFLERS AS SOS FLARES

U-Boat victims, drifting in an open boat in the Atlantic, took off their mufflers soaked them in paraffin, tied them to an oar and set them alight.

The men stood on a seat in the boat and waved the blazing muf-

They were the crew of the Fleetold confidential style, and hardly wood trawler Sea Sweeper, and waiting for John Watt to announce, they told this story of their rescue when they were brought ashore in another trawler.

Skipper J. Tomlinson stated that a German submarine broke surface about 200 yards astern of the Sea Sweeper and immediately fired a warning shot.

had left in their small boat the submarine sank the trawler by radon. gunfire.

"We had a terrible time," said Skipper Tomlinson. "By midnight, when we had been rowing for eight hours, we were thoroughly exhausted. At about four o'clock in the morning we had about given up when we sighted the light of a ship.

"We tore off our mufflers, soaked them in paraffin and tied them to an oar. The rescue ship was another trawler."—Daily Telegraph. Daily Mirror.

## MUSSOLINI REINFORCES FRONTIERS

ROME, Dec. 11 (Reuter) -Signor Mussolini was in consultation last night with his defence chiefs. It is understood that the reinforcement of Italian forces on all frontiers was decided upon.

## PHILHARMONIC **PRODUCTION** REHEARSAL

## "No, No, Nanette" Bright Show

The decision of the Hongkong Philharmonic Society to attempt a lighter type of production appears to be well justified.

"No, No, Nanette" had a full dress rehearsal at the Queen's Theatre last night and the galety the brilliant lines and smoothness of production generally augurs well

Jean Greig, as Nanette, is a winsome actress with a rather astonishing voice while Harry Cockle. as Jimmy, is "grand."

"No, No, Nanette" is produced by Mr. W. Robertson with Capt. A. C. Houghton as stage director and Mr. R. C. Butler as stage manager. The music is being handled by Surg.-Capt. G. V. Hobbs while the dances have been arranged by Carol Bateman, formerly of Shang-

'No. No. Nanette" will open at the Queen's Theatre tomorrow

#### BOY, 14, AMONG NAZI PRISONERS

an armed merchant cruiser docked at a Scottish port German prisoners of war were taken off under military escort

The men who left the ship during the blackout boarded motorcoaches waiting on the quayside and were driven to an internment camp.

The prisoners were mostly young men, and with the exception of one or two, wore civilian clothes. The other men were wearing the uniform of, the German merchant service. One of them was a boy aged about fourteen.

The men appeared to be quite cheerful and made joking remarks among themselves. One man said to his companion with a laugh: "Keep your chin up."

The men gazed through the windows of the coaches and showed great interest in their surroundings.-Daily Mirror.

## "Life Gas" Kept In Secret Cave

Every day men descend secretly into a cave in the Derbyshire hills to collect a gas which to many people is priceless. It means release from agonising pain, new hope where there was despair.

And it represents the victory of British doctors over war conditions, gives them the means to carry on the war that must never stop-the battle against disease.

The gas is called "radon." It is generated from the £15,000 to £20,000 worth of radium which Manchester has stored under th earth, so that it may be safe if air raiders attack the Christle Radium Hospital, at Fallowfield, where in peacetime it is used.

No one could stay in the cavern where the radium is stored. So As soon as the crew of twelve every day for the duration of the war men will descend to collect the

> They must not delay, for the gas loses half its active life in four days.

A small party of men from the hospital laboratories, accompanied by experts, undertook the extremely difficult and dangerous task of installing apparatus in the cave. Along a narrow path four men

carried hundreds of lead bricks to build in the cave a chamber for the assembly of the apparatus.-

#### MAILS FOREIGN

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